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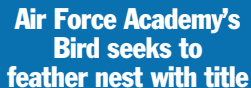
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**JIM SCHULZ**/Stars and Stripes

A car drives through some minor flooding near the Yokota Air Base, Japan, flight line as Typhoon Ma-on drenched the Kanto Plain on Saturday. U.S. bases were largely spared damage from the powerful storm.



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## News Tracker ... What's new with old news

## States

**Gay marriage:** Laws limiting marriage to a man and a woman do not violate California's constitution, but neither would a law allowing same-sex couples to marry, according to the state attorney general.

Attorney General Bill Lockyer issued the opinion Friday, a long-awaited response to a pair of lawsuits out of San Francisco challenging laws that ban gay marriage.

Lockyer denied there has been any violation of California's constitution, while at the same time saying the state Legislature has taken significant steps toward granting full spousal benefits to gay couples who register as domestic partners.

**Podophile trial:** A federal judge rejected a plea deal for a former Baltimore school teacher who admitted traveling to Asia to have sex with boys.

U.S. District Judge Andre Davis said Richard Schmidt, 61, deserved a prison sentence longer than 8 to 12 years in prison.

Schmidt, who pleaded guilty in July to two charges connected to his molestation of a 13-year-old Canadian boy, would have served about 10 years if sentenced to the maximum allowed under the agreement.

Davis said he would be willing to sentence Schmidt to 17 1/2 years in prison.

**Dog beheading case:** A man who beheaded the German shepherd he had named for his girlfriend was sentenced Friday to 25 years to life under the state's three-strikes law.

James Abernathy, 43, of La Habra, was convicted in June of felony animal cruelty for killing the dog, named Marie, after a fight with his girlfriend. Abernathy would have faced a maximum of six years if not for two prior convictions in 1986 for assault with a deadly weapon.

**Church sex abuse:** The nation's Roman Catholic bishops said Friday they will spend the next nine months deciding whether to make any changes in the policy they enacted at the height of the clergy sex abuse crisis that includes permanently barring guilty priests from church work.

The review was mandated in the "Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People," the document the bishops adopted at an emotional June 2002 assembly in Dallas. The prelates' aim was to restore badly shaken trust in their leadership. The 2002 policy required dioceses to put safeguards in place against abuse and hire victim assistance coordinators. Among other reforms, it outlined the process bishops should follow

in investigating molestation claims. But the centerpiece of the plan was a pledge that any priest who molested a minor would never again be allowed to serve in ministry.

**NASA inspector trial:** A former NASA safety inspector accused of falsifying examinations of crucial parts on the space shuttle Discovery pleaded not guilty Friday in federal court, and his attorney called him "meticulous in his work."

A trial for Billy T. Thornton, 54, was set for December. Prosecutors say the 15-year NASA veteran lied about inspections he should have done from October 2002 to May 2003—a span during which the shuttle Columbia blew apart during reentry, killing seven astronauts. He was fired in September 2003.

## World

**Philippine cease-fire:** A senior Philippine official welcomed a team of Malaysians Saturday who will monitor a cease-fire between the government and Muslim rebels aimed at ending three decades of separatist violence in the southern Philippines.

Malaysia is brokering peace talks between the Philippine government and the MILF, has provided a venue for formal negotiations and has been credited for its help in pushing the rebels to the negotiating table.

A team of 50 police, military and government officials arrived in Manila Saturday to oversee the cease-fire in key cities across the southern Philippines for a year.

**South Korean nuke investigation:** The head of the International Atomic Energy Agency said on Friday that South Korea's recently disclosed work with uranium and plutonium did not appear to be part of a weapons program, describing it as "simply two scientific experiments on a small scale."

"I don't think we have seen any intentions to develop nuclear weapons" by South Korea, the director general of the IAEA, Mohamed ElBaradei, told reporters in Tokyo after completing an official trip to the South Korean capital, Seoul. "What we have seen are experiments that have to do with separation of plutonium and making uranium. These experiments by themselves are not illegal."

South Korea's failure to report it promptly, some nuclear experts say, could constitute a violation of international law.

**Tiananmen Square protest:** President Hu Jintao said Saturday that China has no plans to reverse its ruling that the 1989 Tiananmen Square pro-democracy protests were a subversive riot.

It was the first time that Hu, who became head of the ruling Communist Party in 2002 and chief of China's military last month, publicly addressed the issue of the 1989 demonstrations.

Hu said the government's "decisive measures" in 1989 laid the basis for the economic boom of the 1990s.

**Indonesia terror arrest:** Police have arrested the wife of one of Southeast Asia's most wanted terror suspects and plan to charge her with involvement with last year's suicide bombing at the J.W. Marriott hotel in the Indonesian capital, police said Saturday.

Mumtaz Al Fitri, the second wife of Malaysian militant Noordin Mohamed Top, will be charged with hiding her husband after the Aug. 5 blast in Jakarta, which killed 12 people and injured more than 100, said police anti-terror chief Brig. Gen. Pranowo.

**Russian school terror case:** Russian prosecutors opened a criminal negligence case against three top-ranking police officers in the southern region of Ingushetia in connection with the seizure last month of more than 1,000 hostages in a school in neighboring Beslan, police said Friday.

Last month's seizure of the school by heavily armed attackers ended in a hail of explosions and gunfire, killing more than 330 people.

**Taiwan-China relations:** Taiwan's leader on Saturday promised to make an "important announcement" in his National Day speech that will improve icy relations with rival China and strengthen ties with the United States—the island's most important friend.

President Chen Shui-bian was tight-lipped about the content of Sunday's speech, which will likely be closely monitored by Chinese leaders, who deeply distrust Chen and refuse to talk to him. The two sides split in 1949, and Beijing says Taiwan must unify eventually or suffer a devastating attack.

## Military

**U.S. Missile defense:** The U.S. military has begun a series of exercises with its missile defense system to move it a step closer to activation.

The exercises involve testing crews and activating the network of sensors and command centers to ensure they transfer information properly, Rick Lehner, a spokesman for the Missile Defense Agency, said Friday.

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# Ma-on rips through Tokyo, spares U.S. bases

BY VINCE LITTLE

Stars and Stripes

Typhoon Ma-on swept through the Tokyo area Saturday night, towing heavy rain and gusty winds but largely sparing U.S. military installations on the Kanto Plain.

The unusually powerful storm, among the strongest to hit Japan's Pacific coast in a decade, came on shore around 4 p.m. at Izu Peninsula, about 75 miles from Tokyo, packing winds up to 90 mph near the eye, according to the Japan Meteorological Agency.

At 8 p.m. Saturday, after the typhoon skirted farther east than predicted, military bases got the Tropical Cyclone Condition of Readiness All-Clear signal, said Capt. David Westover, a 374th Airlift Wing spokesman at Yokota Air Base. There were no reports of injuries or damage, but the storm triggered some localized flooding.

"The bottom line is the storm went further to the east than we anticipated," Westover said. "Fortunately, we haven't heard about any damage to any of the bases."

Ma-on, Chinese for "horse saddle," the name of a Hong Kong peak, was the record eighth typhoon to impact the Kanto Plain region this year.

At Yokosuka Naval Base, the winds topped out at 91 mph, Westover said, while Atsugi Naval Air Facility officials called a 73 mph gust. Yokota measured a 49 mph gust wind at Camp Zama reached 45 mph.

The strongest winds at Haneda Airport were about 85 mph during the storm's peak Saturday evening.

From Friday at 9 a.m. through Saturday night, Yokota Air Base received 9.17 inches of rain associated with the typhoon, Westover said. Forecasters had predicted 10-12 inches of rain for the Kanto Plain.



**Left:** The commissary at Yokota Air Base, Japan, manned all registers to accommodate the flood of customers before the base shut down all normal services at 3 p.m. Saturday in preparation for the arrival of Typhoon Ma-on. No major damage was reported from any U.S. installations on the Kanto Plain.

JIM SCHULZ/Stars and Stripes

**Below:** A man helps to push a vehicle stranded on a flooded street in Tokyo in the heavy rain caused by the typhoon Saturday.

The most powerful typhoon to barrel into Japan's Pacific coast-line in a decade unleashed gales and blinding sheets of rain that grounded planes, flooded homes and set off mudslides.

AP

According to the 20th Operational Weather Squadron at Yokota, Ma-on was moving rapidly to the northeast and not expected to impact Misawa Air Base. Officials there weren't planning to initiate any TCOR conditions.

Forecasters said the storm would head out over the Pacific Ocean off the Sanriku coast by Sunday morning and become extratropical.

Because of the typhoon's intensity offshore earlier Saturday, military officials implemented precautions as the storm approached.

At Yokota, medical officials urged all women pregnant for 36 weeks or longer to report to the hospital — just in case they went into labor. All facilities, including the base exchange, commissary, shopettes and clubs, were closed at 3

p.m. which forced the postponement of Yokota Idol 3, which had been expected to draw 450 people to the Enlisted Club on Saturday night. The event has been rescheduled for Nov. 13.

Across the Tokyo metropolitan area, two people were killed by and five others were missing following the storm that grounded planes, flooded homes and set off mudslides, The Associated Press reported.

According to Kyodo News, Ma-on led to the cancellation of 184 domestic and 43 international flights as of 1 p.m. Saturday and disrupted train services in the Kanto and Tokai areas. Approximately 3,000 people, mostly in coastal spots along the Pacific, were forced to evacuate their homes.

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## Sasebo pupils learn to stop, drop and roll

Firefighters tour base elementary schools, teaching fire prevention and safety

BY GREG TYLER

Stars and Stripes

SASEBO NAVAL BASE, Japan — All last week, base elementary school pupils were falling, rolling, shouting, talking to friends on the telephone, climbing out windows, eating cookies and swigging Kool-Aid.

It's a perfect learning environment for pupils to absorb critical information about fire prevention and safety, says Gerald Clark, assistant fire chief of Sasebo's division of the Command U.S. Naval Forces Japan Regional Fire Department.

On Thursday and Friday, Clark and several other firefighters took their traveling fire safety extravaganza on the road to Jack N. Darby Elementary School at Hario Housing Village, providing interactive seminars for kindergarten through sixth grade.

Monday and Tuesday they did the same on the base's main facility with Sasebo Elementary School pupils, all part of educational programs in conjunction with Fire Prevention Week, which ended Saturday.

National Fire Prevention Week is scheduled annually during the week of Oct. 9, the anniversary of the 1871 Great Chicago Fire, Clark said.

Darby first-grade teacher Jennifer Ehret thinks interaction with the firefighters and physically practicing escape from a staged house fire is effective.

"I think these (sessions) are wonderful, especially because they actually get practical experience. So, if anything really were to happen, they would know what to do and not be scared," Ehret said Friday as her pupils practiced escaping from the mock bedroom.

Once pupils hear the smoke alarm, they learn, for example, if their bedroom's door-knob is red with heat, they climb out a window. If flames are around the window, they exit through a door. In each instance, they are taught to stay low and to move quickly and directly to their family's agreed-upon meeting spot outside.

The classes also feature instruction and practice on the maneuver called "stop, drop and roll" for extinguishing fire on clothing.

"And they are having fun, too. That helps familiarize them with what's taught. They'll be able to think clearly and know what they have to do [in a real fire]," Ehret said.

"Also, with such a transient group of people as the military, you don't know which ones might have had this kind of training

last year, or ever. They (firefighters) do a great job."

Assistant fire chief Clark has coordinated this program in Sasebo's schools long enough to see pupils in kindergarten attend the seminar each year through sixth grade.

"You can see that each year those who attended the year before know it, and know it better each year. The program works," Clark said. "That makes me feel good. It feels pretty good to just know that if they are at home and a fire occurs, they know what to do and can escape safely."

The department also emphasized use and maintenance of smoke detectors as a Fire Prevention Week theme. Clark said statistics show more people are injured or killed by fires in homes with no smoke detectors than in homes with the equipment.

One of Ehret's pupils, Brittany Kallio, 6, said she now knows what to do if a fire occurs at her home.

"You stop, drop and roll if you're on fire, and if the door's on fire you go out the window. If the window's on fire, you go out the door."

"And your telephone's on fire," Brittany said. "So go you ask the neighbors to use theirs, then call for help."

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GREG TYLER/Stars and Stripes

Fire Inspector Kenji Yamashita of Command U.S. Naval Forces Japan Regional Fire Department at Sasebo Naval Base, Japan, teaches first-graders at Hario Housing Village's Jack N. Darby Elementary School about fire safety and prevention Friday.

## Yokota Idol postponed

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — Typhoon Ma-on put a halt to Yokota Idol 3 on Saturday.

The approaching storm led officials to shut down the Yokota Enlisted Club at 3 p.m., according to assistant manager Aaron Feinberg. The show, which features 12 contestants and is patterned after the highly popular Fox hit, "American Idol," is now slated for Nov. 13 at 8 p.m.

The field was narrowed down to 12 hopefuls in an Oct. 2 audition, Feinberg said. They went through three days of rehearsals this week and will get the same opportunity leading up to next month's event.

Yokota's top vocalist will win \$500 and get a one-song studio demo courtesy of Hunger Entertainment, he said. The second-place finisher receives \$300, while \$200 goes to the third-place winner.

The first two Yokota Idol shows drew capacity audiences to the Enlisted Club's ballroom, which holds about 450 people.

## Par 3 closure

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — The Par 3 Golf Course's driving range will be closed Monday and Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for work on a new irrigation system, officials said.

The facility will be open from 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. both days. Users must sign up before the pro shop closes at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call DSN 225-8815.

## Yokota photo winners

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — Winners of the Skills Development Center's Photo Contest will receive awards during a ceremony Friday. The entries are currently on display at the center.

The top finishers include: ■ People Category: 1. Michael Blanchard, "Tea Time" 2. Patricia Wagner, "Best Friends" 3. Jess Pease, "My Pets"

■ Military Life: 1. Karen J. Tomaski, "No Quitting Time Here" 2. Mark Allen, "Team Spirit" 3. Mark Naumann, "Paratrooper Upload"

■ Nature/Scenic: 1. Jason Bailey, "God's Masterpiece" 2. Elizabeth Welliver, "Unraptured" 3. Lisa Guerrero, "Misty Mount Mink"

■ People's Choice: Carlos A. Mendez, "Afterdinner on Espinar 2"

■ Youth Category: Roark Aikawa, "Path of Light in the Midst of Darkness"

The awards presentation is open to the public. The event begins at 5 p.m. in the Skills Development Center.

Call DSN 225-9044 for more information.

## Misawa commissary

The commissary at Misawa Air Base, Japan, will modify its hours Monday for Columbus Day. It will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. officials said.

For more information, call DSN 226-3482.

## Commission chat

The education office at Misawa Air Base, Japan, will conduct a continuing briefing Thursday at 8 a.m. in Building 653, Room 204, officials announced.

To register, stop by the base education office on the second floor of Building 653. Call DSN 226-4201 for more information.

From staff reports

# The Bird aims high in mascot battle

BY SANDRA JONTZ

Stars and Stripes

ARLINGTON, Va. — He's no dodo.

The Air Force Academy's mascot, "The Bird," instead seeks to be strong, smart and popular as he represents his spirited brethren as the sole U.S. military service academy representative in the upcoming third annual battle for mascot supremacy and top All-American Mascot, a competition sponsored by Capital One.

"When it comes to The Bird, I'm gonna be the Nation's Mascot of the Year. There are bragging rights that come with that," said the confident cadet in a recent phone interview from the Academy's campus in Colorado Springs.

Of the 12 competing stuffed and animated fowl, canine or reptile duking it out in the Capital One challenge, The Bird will be the only one who will parachute in for the weekend football games.

Sure to be a crowd- and voter-pleasing stunt, The Bird said.

Cuz it's almost all about the votes.

Starting Monday, voters can log onto [www.capitaloneowl.com](http://www.capitaloneowl.com) to cast their top selections. Voting consists of 11 weekly matchups between the 12 finalists, and the mascot with the best record at competition's end, polls close on Dec. 25, will win the online portion of the contest. Each of the finalists has received a \$5,000 prize for the school's mascot program, and the top winner gets his or her school another \$5,000.

For the first time, the online most popular vote is coupled with a judges' ranking to determine who gets the ultimate title, according to Capitol One published information. The winning mascot will be announced Jan. 1 during the nationally televised Capital One Bowl on ABC.

So vote, and vote often. The Bird implored, adding he is at a bit of a disadvantage since the Academy is home to 4,000 students, while some of his competitors hail from schools with student bodies numbering 30,000 or more.

And yes, that's his name. Just The Bird. As is with school mascots, the public does not get to learn anything personal about the people who crawl inside the dynamic costumes and charged with revving spectators' enthusiasm.

There are several who perform as The Bird, though officials won't reveal just how many. Suffice it to say, they all learn to adopt the same mannerisms, the same way of clapping, flapping and snapping the crowd into a frenzy, be it a football or basketball game.

The Bird attends some 90 public functions, mostly in Colorado, from visiting elementary school classrooms to child development centers and parades, and one person couldn't possibly do them all, said Capt. Chris Backus, the Academy's director of spirit programs.



CHARLEY STARR RIV/US Air Force Academy

**Above: The Bird surfs the cadet section at the Air Force Academy's Falcon Stadium. The costumed mascot is the only one allowed to surf the crowd. Right: The Bird marches to the beat of his own drum, and plays it to, during the Sept. 11 Air Force Academy-Eastern Washington University football game.**

The cheerleading squad, of which The Bird is part, is about a-t-t-i-t-u-d-e, Backus said. Attitude and creativity.

Last Halloween, for example, 20 cheerleaders performed a routine to pop singer Michael Jackson's "Thriller," with the bird chadring as the pop star himself.

For this competition, The Bird said he and other service academy mascots put aside their typically fierce rivalries aside and he's counting on all servicemembers' votes.

"It's all for one and one for all. I want them to know we're all in this together," he said. "In the end, we're all fighting the same fight."

It's the Air Force Academy's second appearance in the 3-year-old competition, having participated in the inaugural showdown.

"He did fairly well for the first time," Backus said of the mascot's performance. "He ended up in the middle of the pack" for a competition that back then, relied solely on popularity votes.



JOHN VAN WINKLE/US Air Force Academy

For this go-around, The Bird will compete against the following mascots:

- Aubie from Auburn University
- Big Red from Western Kentucky University
- Cocky from the University of South Carolina
- Duke Dog from James Madison University
- Goldy Gopher from the University of Minnesota
- Hairy Dawg from the University of Georgia
- Hey Reb from the University of Nevada/Las Vegas
- Hokie Bird from Virginia Tech
- Monte from the University of Montana

■ Scratch from the University of Kentucky

■ Testudo from the University of Maryland

"They practice a few hours a day, five days a week, learning skills and routines and various ways to stay light on your feet. "You don't have to know how to dance well," the Bird chuckled. "But yeah, it helps to know how to dance."

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# Crowds, controversy mark first Afghan vote

## Karzai's opponents withdraw, accusing nation, U.N. of fraud

BY PAUL HAVEN

The Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — Afghanistan's historic moment turned sour as all 15 challengers to interim Afghan President Hamid Karzai withdrew in the middle of voting in the nation's first-ever direct presidential election Saturday, accusing the government and the United Nations of fraud and incompetence that allowed people to cast more than one ballot.

After all the fears of a Taliban attack, it was bad ink — not bombs and bullets — that threatened to undo three years of careful progress toward democracy. The opposition candidates claimed the ink used to mark people's thumbs rubbed off too easily, allowing for mass deception.

Electoral officials rejected their demand that voting be stopped at midday, saying it would rob millions of their first chance to directly decide their leader, and that the joint U.N.-Afghan panel overseeing the election would rule later on the vote's legitimacy.

But the controversy nonetheless cast a pall over what had been a joyous day in Afghanistan. Millions of ethnically diverse Afghan voters crammed polling stations for an election aimed at bringing peace and prosperity to a country nearly ruined by more than two decades of war. Men and women voted at separate

booths in keeping with this nation's conservative Islamic leanings.

Karzai — who is widely favored to win — told a news conference that the fate of the election was in the hands of the electoral panel, but added that in his view "the election was free and fair ... it is very legitimate."

"Who is more important, these 15 candidates, or the millions of people who turned out today to vote?" Karzai said. "Both myself and all these 15 candidates should respect our people — because in the dust and snow and rain, they waited for hours and hours to vote."



An Afghan election official marks a finger of a voter in Herat, Afghanistan, to show that he has cast his ballot.

Taliban rebels got into a skirmish with U.S. troops that left at least 25 insurgents dead, and managed to kill three Afghan policemen accompanying ballots back to a counting center after the vote. Eight more police and two civilians spent just under \$200 million staging the vote. At least 12 election workers, and dozens of Afghan security forces, died in the past few months as the nation geared up for the vote.

The boycott was a blow to the international community, which spent just under \$200 million staging the vote. At least 12 election workers, and dozens of Afghan security forces, died in the past few months as the nation geared up for the vote.

The chaos also threatened to become part of debate in the heated

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Afghan refugees living in Peshawar, Pakistan, queue up to vote in Afghanistan's first-ever presidential election on Saturday.

AP photos

## Bush: U.S. paved way for elections

BY JENNIFER LOVEN

The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — President Bush exulted in Saturday's voting in Afghanistan as a "marvelous thing" and said at least partial credit was due to his administration.

"A marvelous thing is happening in Afghanistan," Bush told a breakfast fund-raiser for local Republican candidates. "Freedom is powerful. Think about a society in which young girls couldn't go to school, and their mothers were whipped in the public square, and today they're holding a presidential election."

In his remarks, Bush mentioned nothing of political chaos that marred the elections.

Bush noted that the first person to vote was a

19-year-old woman, Moqadasa Siddiqi, in Islamabad, Pakistan, who had fled her country during Afghanistan's 1990s civil war and expressed joyous disbelief that she was casting a vote.

He said her vote would have been impossible without the U.S.-led invasion in late 2001 that ousted the Taliban regime that "ruled that country with such barbarism." After the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, Bush ordered the invasion to unseat the Taliban militia's radical Islamic government and eliminate the al-Qaida terror bases it harbored.

Siddiqi was "voting in this election because the United States of America believes that freedom is the almighty God's gift to each man and woman in this world," Bush said. "This is an appropriate day for America to remember and thank the men and women of our armed forces who liberated Afghanistan."

## Mortar fire fails to interrupt voting

BY TERRY BOYD

Stars and Stripes

FIREBASE ASADABAD, Afghanistan — Expectation in this insurgent stronghold was for a day with a lot of shooting and a little voting.

Instead, the historic presidential elections in this isolated section of eastern Afghanistan went off with only isolated attacks and no deaths, casualties or property damage.

Election day in the mountains just 9 miles from Pakistan's tribal areas did start with a 4:20 a.m. one-shot mortar attack that landed within 500 meters of Firebase Asadabad. The near-miss turned out to be a harbinger of things to come.

At about 11 a.m., insurgents fired four rockets into the nearby town of Asadabad, one of which was a 107 mm rocket that landed in the garden of the governor's

residence but failed to explode, said Capt. Jim Wilt, a Maryland reservist with the 450th Civil Affairs Battalion.

The local police chief was in the building at the time, "but the attack had no effect at all on him," Wilt said, shaking his head in disbelief. "He was yawning."

Both U.S. and Afghan troops were in the courtyard at the time of attack, some only 30 feet from where the rocket landed, he said.

Northwest of Asadabad, there were other attacks on U.S. troops, but nothing sustained. There were about 11 or 12 attacks around Kunar Province, which is the size of a small Texas county, but none seemed to have dissuaded voters.

In Asadabad, with U.S. soldiers keeping a low profile, Afghan officials said the first person to vote was a young woman who'd been a

refugee in Pakistan during the Taliban regime. Whether her vote was stage-managed, they wouldn't say. But the enthusiasm for voting in Afghanistan's first election seemed real enough.

The vote tally was 1,483 at just one Asadabad voting site, poll workers said. One American official, who asked not to be identified, said he believed a significant percent of eligible voters took part.

Rainy, cold weather may have lowered turnout, with some villagers in this mountainous area having to walk as long as three hours round trip to vote, the U.S. official said.

Less of a factor were insurgents. Those who did launch attacks did so with little efficacy, "and were probably Jihadis" for hire — guys who were collecting a paycheck to fire their weapons," he said.

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American presidential campaign. President Bush has held Afghanistan up as an example of flourishing democracy, and a precursor to elections his administration insists will move forward in January in Iraq, despite continuing violence there.

In Kabul, where the opposition candidates met at the house of Uzbek candidate Abdul Satar Sirat and signed a petition saying they would not recognize the vote results.

Sirat, an ex-aid to Afghanistan's last king and a minor candidate expected to poll in the low single-digits, said all 15 candi-

dates opposing Karzai agreed to the boycott.

"Today's election is not a legitimate election. It should be stopped and we don't recognize the results," Sirat said. "This vote is a fraud and any government formed from it is illegitimate."

Abdul Latif Padran, an Islamic poet who is another minor candidate, added: "Today was a very black day. Today was the occupation of Afghanistan by America through elections."

Election officials acknowledged that some voting stations mistakenly swapped the permanent ink meant to mark thumbs with normal ink meant for ballots, but insisted the problem was caught quickly.

"Halting the vote at this stage is unjustified and would deny these people their right to vote," said Ray Kennedy, vice chairman of the joint U.N.-Afghan electoral panel, of the opposition demands. "There have been some technical problems but overall it has been safe and orderly." Kennedy said it could take time for the electoral body to reach a decision on the vote's legitimacy.

A 13-member U.S. observer team from the bipartisan International Republican Institute described the polls as "a triumph for the Afghan people."

Associated Press writers Stephen Graham in Kandahar, Burt Herman in Mazari-e-Sharif and Amir Shah and Daniel Cooney in Kabul contributed to this report.

# Outpost: Uneventful patrol on election day

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With all of Afghanistan's 15 or 16 tribes endorsing the election, insurgents who launched assaults risked starting blood feuds, the official said.

"The Kunar governor told local mullahs and power brokers, 'this is your elections. Your tribe's honor is at stake,'" said Lt. Col. Mark McLaughlin, commander of the Asadabad Provincial Reconstruction Team, one of 17 U.S. military and civilian rebuilding teams working around Afghanistan.

Several U.N. officials in Asadabad told Stars and Stripes they believed the elections were premature, and hampered by rivalries between the U.S. military and U.N. workers.

The elections were neither early nor late, said McLaughlin.

The defeat of the Taliban after Sept. 11, 2001, attacks left a vacuum, and there wouldn't have been adequate security had the United States and the United Nations tried to hold elections before a national police force and army was in place, McLaughlin said.

Overall, Saturday's voting was a non-event for the Fort Bragg-based 82nd Airborne Division unit sent specifically to provide extra election security.

"Voting is one thing. Now they've got to count the votes," said Lt. Carl Benander, a Company D platoon leader. "I'm worried about the next couple of days. We'll see."

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# Howard scores historic fourth term in Australia

**BY MIKE CORDER**  
*The Associated Press*

**SYDNEY, Australia** — Prime Minister John Howard scored a convincing victory in Australia's federal election Saturday, winning a historic fourth term in a vote that will ensure the staunch U.S. ally will keep its troops in Iraq for the foreseeable future.

With more than 77 percent of votes tallied, Howard appeared likely to increase his government's majority in parliament — exceeding most analysts' predictions that the result would be very tight.

Labor Party leader Mark Latham earlier conceded defeat

before supporters in western Sydney, saying he'd called Howard to congratulate him.

The election was widely seen abroad as the first referendum for the three leaders who launched the March 2003 invasion of Iraq, with U.S. President Bush facing a ballot next month and Britain's Tony Blair probably facing voters next year.

Labor had vowed to bring the roughly 900 Australian troops deployed in and around Iraq home by Christmas, while Howard insisted they will stay until Iraqis ask them to leave.

But Australians focused more on the economy, health and education than on Howard's decision to

join the Bush-led coalition in Iraq — which drew hundreds of thousands of people into the streets for the biggest anti-war protests in this country since the Vietnam war era.

The campaign also hinged on personalities, with three-term incumbent Howard seen as a colorless but a reliable steward of the economy, and Latham perceived as young and energetic, but also inexperienced and sometimes undisciplined.

With more than three-fourths of votes counted, official results showed Howard's coalition had 52.4 percent to Labor's 47.6 percent.

Government is formed by the



John Howard

side that has a majority of seats in parliament's 150-seat lower house.

Howard sent 2,000 troops to Iraq last year despite protests that portrayed him as Bush's lackey. The number has since dwindled to 900, and none have combat roles. No Australian soldiers have been killed.

## U.N. moves to tackle increasing terrorism

BY EDITH M. LEDERER  
*The Associated Press*

**UNITED NATIONS** — The U.N. Security Council moved on several fronts to tackle the global upsurge in terrorist attacks, calling on all countries to prosecute or extradite terrorist suspects and starting a process that could lead to a greatly expanded list of terrorists subject to sanctions and punishment.

A resolution adopted unanimously by the council on Friday backed away from authorizing a new blacklist, but it authorized a "working group" including all council nations to

study measures to be taken against terrorists and terrorist groups that are not affiliated with Al-Qaida or the Taliban.

But this will be the first time the council examines what actions to take against other terrorists, and the seven co-sponsors of the resolution including Russia and the United States are expected to make an expanded terrorist list a priority in the working group.

Russia introduced the resolution last month after militants staged a series of attacks there. It was adopted a day after a spate of deadly car bombings targeted Israelis in Egyptian resorts in Sinai.

The resolution "condemns in the strongest terms all acts of terrorism irrespective of their motivation, whenever and by whomsoever committed, as one of the most serious threats to peace and security." It demands broader cooperation among nations to find and bring to justice anyone supporting, participating or financing terrorist acts "on the basis of the principle to extradite or prosecute."

But Algeria and Pakistan, the only Muslim nations on the council, objected to the list and to a provision they argued would be used to label freedom fighters as terrorists.

# Bedouin tribesmen detained in Egypt

**BY PETER ENAV**  
*The Associated Press*

TABA, Egypt — Dozens of Bedouin tribesmen have been detained on suspicion they supplied explosives for car bomb attacks at two Egyptian resorts that killed at least 34 people, officials said Saturday.

Israel's counterterrorism chief, meanwhile, said Israeli tourists in Egypt are still in danger and urged them to return home immediately.

Three car bombs exploded Thursday night, one at the Taberna Hilton just south of the Egypt-Israel border and two in a town of beach huts, Ras Shitan, 35 miles to the south on the Red Sea coast.

Egyptian officials said Saturday that 34 people were killed. In Taboua, seven Egyptians, three Israelis and 20 bodies still unidentified had been recovered, they said, and two Egyptians and two Israelis were killed in Ras Shitan. Israeli officials put the death toll at 33.

In Tabá, three bodies, including that of a toddler, were pulled from the twisted wreckage of the hotel Saturday, the Israeli military said. Col. Gideon Bar-on, a member of the Israeli army rescue unit, told Israeli Radio that 13 more bodies were believed to be under the rubble.

Some Israeli officials believe the al-Qaida terror network was most likely behind the attack, while Egypt says it is too early to point to suspects.

At the Taba Hilton, investigators searched the rubble Saturday for a lead on the identities of the attackers.

Fingerprints were lifted from the apparent car bomb, which has been packed with 440 pounds of explosives, and DNA samples were taken from nearby body parts to determine whether suicide bombers drove the vehicle, Egyptian security officials said on condition of anonymity.

Investigators also were doing "dust analysis" around the explosion sites to determine exactly what sort of explosives were used, an Egyptian investigator said on condition of anonymity.

The security officials said several dozen Bedouin tribesmen have been detained for questioning about suspicions they provided the explosives to the attackers.

A senior police official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said 20 people were being held, some of them quarry workers who presumably had access to explosives. Those 20, some or all of them bedouins, appeared to be among the dozens to whom security officials had referred.

At Ras Shitan, several Bedouin tribesmen, including the owner of the camp, were questioned by Egyptian security officials. American diplomats also visited the camp Saturday, to check on possible American casualties, and quickly left.

There were several claims of responsibility — including one from an al-Qaida-linked group — but none appeared credible.

Associated Press writer Sarah El Deeb contributed to this report from Ras Shitan.



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# Asian, European leaders urge larger U.N. role

BY TINI TRAN

The Associated Press

HANOI, Vietnam — Asian and European leaders called for the United Nations to take a lead role in confronting global challenges of terrorism and nuclear proliferation, closing a summit Saturday aimed at providing a counterweight to U.S. influence.

In the Vietnamese capital, leaders at the two-day meeting of the Asia-Europe Meeting, or ASEM, also urged Myanmar's military

leaders to push democratic reforms — and on the summit sidelines, clinched a landmark trade deal between the European Union and meeting host Vietnam.

The meeting had nearly been scuttled over EU attempts to bar Myanmar's participation, over the protests of Asian countries. The EU backed down and Myanmar was inducted into the group, along with two other Asian nations and 10 European ones, bringing ASEM up to 39 members.

But the EU demanded that Myanmar release a comprehensive approach, collective efforts and international cooperation where the United Nations plays the leading role," the statement said, condemning terrorist attacks in Indonesia, Spain and Russia.

The forum also urged "accelerated reform" of the United Nations and its Security Council to increase its effectiveness.

The ASEM grouping was launched in 1996 to counter Amer-

ican influence in both Asia and Europe. The biannual forum's expansion has rekindled interest in cultivating interregional ties at a time when increasingly unilateral U.S. policy has drawn negative reaction worldwide.

The two days of closed sessions covered a wide range of issues, including North Korea's nuclear weapons program and Iraq's instability.

Leaders also released declarations on forming closer economic partnerships.

# Japanese schools go high tech to help protect students

BY KENJI HALL

The Associated Press

TOKYO — Every time a fourth grader passes through Rikkyo Elementary School's front gate, a small, gray plastic tag tucked inside his backpack beams a message to a computer in a nearby office.

The students are oblivious, but the computer logs the time they enter and leave and a security guard watching the screen takes note. Moments later, their parents receive confirmation by e-mail.

In Japan, high-tech tagging has made the jump from grocery stores to the school yard.

Rikkyo officials hope the Radio Frequency Identification technology will serve as an early warning system for children who go missing.

"This won't prevent crimes against children," said Tsukasa Tanaka, principal at Rikkyo, a private boys school in Tokyo. "But without the tags, we might not know that a student hadn't made it to school until we take roll. That's too late."

A handful of high-profile child murders have shocked low-crime Japan, prompting Rikkyo to look into several types of electronic monitoring.

The school, one of two in the country testing RFID tags, chose them because other technologies such as satellite-based tracking would have betrayed too much information about students' whereabouts.

With the tags — about the size



A group of fourth graders show off a small, gray plastic tag tucked inside their backpacks at the Rikkyo Elementary School in Tokyo on Thursday. Developed by Fujitsu Ltd., the tags beam a message to a computer that logs the time they enter and leave the school. Moments later, their parents receive confirmation by e-mail.

of small keychains — officials and parents will know if a student is late for school in the morning. Parents also will know if a child takes longer than usual to get home.

Like many schoolchildren in Tokyo, Rikkyo's students can spend as many as two hours getting to school by themselves on busy trains and subways. The school bans mobile phones, but parents wanted more assurances after the 2001 school slayings and recent kidnappings threats against one of Rikkyo's students, Tanaka said.

"I think the tags are a good idea because my two sons almost never leave school together," said Kimiko Shino, a 38-year-old housewife who has one son in second grade and one in third.

Shino said she has no worries that the tags, on which are stored only a child's name and class, could violate her family's privacy.

"Now I'll know what time to expect them home," she said of her sons, whose commute to Rikkyo takes 30 minutes.

Developed by Japanese semiconductor and computer maker

Fujitsu Ltd., the tags use a technology that is beginning to gain widespread acceptance globally.

Retailers and delivery companies use RFID to keep tabs on merchandise. Motorists with prepaid RFID cards zip through traffic toll gates without stopping. Delta Airlines plans to adopt an RFID baggage-handling system at every U.S. airport it serves. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has urged pharmaceutical companies to tag drugs to cut down on counterfeiting.

While critics say proposals to embed RFID chips in drivers' licenses — the U.S. state of Virginia is looking at the idea — would violate individual privacy, the technology continues to get even more personal. Mexico's Attorney General said this year that he and his staff were getting microchip implants for access to secure areas of their offices.

Although Japan has a low national crime rate, its schools are more security conscious than ever, still reeling from the shock of a school attack in 2001 when a

38-year-old man stabbed eight children to death and wounded 15. The high-profile kidnapping and murder of two young boys in northern Japan last month served as a reminder to parents and teachers that they can't be too careful.

Most Japanese schools now lock their gates and dispatch teachers on campus-wide security checks. Many show films and display posters reminding children to be wary of strangers, or teach students basic self-defense.

So far, only 40 Rikkyo fourth graders have the tags, but all 718 students are expected to carry them by the end of October.

The tags contain tiny computer chips linked to small antennae.

Fujitsu's Koichi Yamakawa said the system is designed to read as many as 100 students' tags simultaneously.

The system will eventually serve another purpose: Anyone entering the gates without a tag will trigger an alarm.

Rikkyo officials say the tags aren't cheap. Fujitsu is charging the school \$136,000, which includes the \$31.80 per-tag cost.

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# Singapore eases grin; punk rock makes its move

BY GILLIAN WONG  
The Associated Press

SINGAPORE — Slouched over his electric guitar, decked out in a leather jacket and tartan kilt, Yorag Panniselvan was all set to let fly when it suddenly occurred to him that there could be plainclothes cops in the sweaty, screaming audience.

Then, having cast a wary eye over the crowd, he threw caution aside and launched into a primal scream. "Anti-war! Anti-war!" the lanky 20-year-old howled as Molotove, his four-piece punk outfit, kicked into an expetive-peppered deluge of power chords and crashing cymbals. "Hate and deception is present everywhere. It's utter murder but your government mustn't care!"

Even in famously disciplinary, squeaky-clean Singapore, underground punk rock is belting out its anti-establishment message.

In Singapore, where nearly all manner of public expression is regulated and broadcasting and cinema are subject to censorship, the

underground punk music scene is growing. Panniselvan and others tell *The Associated Press*.

Punks span the country's ethnic range, from majority Chinese to minority Indians like Panniselvan. In English and Malay, they deliver an angst-y, shock-the-world brand of social-consciousness, some inspired by God, others by the Sex Pistols and the Ramones.

Singapore has long argued that social controls are needed to hold its multi-ethnic society together and make it attractive to foreign investors. This has given rise to such a fuddy-duddy reputation that when American rap-rock group Linkin Park performed here in June it likened the experience to "being at grandma's for dinner."

Recently, though, some of the restrictions — on chewing gum and men's hair length, for instance — have been relaxed, and Singapore has openly acknowledged that its younger people need more leeway if they are to stay here and be creative.

Now it wants to be a regional



Members of Lion City Punks hang out in front of a convenience store in downtown Singapore. Fed up with the island nation state-inspired conformity and lack of political expression, a growing number of Singaporeans are becoming part of an underground punk movement to educate their peers.

center for the arts and media. Two years ago, Singapore sanctioned its first local punk rock festival at its arts center, a relatively mild affair compared with the likes of Molotove, and authorities have said they will allow homegrown musicians to flourish.

"When I first became a fan of punk music, there were only a handful of kids interested in it. Now there are thousands!" excited Francis Leong, aka Francis Frighthead, the lead vocalist of Opposition Party, one of Singapore's pioneer punk bands.

He thinks punks these days are more accepted. "People understand us more now. Back then

they couldn't decide whether we were criminals or lunatics with our spikes and chains," he said.

Unable to get air time or publicity in the mainstream media, Singaporean punk rock advertises itself by word of mouth, e-mail, text-messaging and photocircled flyers. The concert by Molotove and a few other bands on a recent Sunday afternoon took place in a small nightclub on the fringe of a shopping district, where music lovers paid \$7 a head to savor the sound, slam into each other and throw punches toward the ground.

It's hard to know whether punk rock's ability to get through a concert without official intervention

represents a genuine loosening of government controls, or simply has gone unnoticed on the sidelines of life in the city-state of 4 million. The politics of Singapore's parliamentary democracy are carefully managed, and social engineering still enters into everything from matchmaking to slimming down overweight schoolchildren.

Still, Francis Frighthead acknowledges, limited lighting up is better than nothing.

"It's like you're having a party in the house with your parents at home," he said. "Better than before, when you were in the house and you couldn't do anything at all."

# Spaniard wins the world Monopoly Championship

BY KENJI HALL  
The Associated Press

TOKYO — A Spaniard captured the World Monopoly Championship on Saturday after building up a fortune from just \$1,500 — in fake money — and ruthlessly forcing three other would-be tycoons from Europe into bankruptcy.

Antonio Zafra Fernandez, a 36-year-old hospital laboratory technician from Madrid, Spain, dispatched the other finalists in less than two hours at the ritzy Roppongi Hills Mori Tower in Tokyo. He took home more than \$15,000 and bragging rights as the property-development board game's top player.

Each player starts with \$1,500 and must try to earn more by buying famous streets, then renting out and selling properties on them. The game ends when all but one player has gone bankrupt.

With TV cameras rolling and a translator at his elbow, Fernandez tipped Bjorn Andenes of Norway into insolvency by asking for \$950 reward when the national sales manager from Oslo landed on Fernandez's hotels on Tennessee Avenue.

Andenes, who owned the railroad lines but was short on cash, conceded. Fernandez hopped out of his seat, clenched his fists and beamed.

"I'm extremely happy and so proud," Fernandez said, after hoisting a giant winner's check for \$15,140 — equal to the amount of play money in a Monopoly set.

Fernandez said he and his wife would spend the prize money on a new car, but added: "It's not about the money. I'm going home as a champion, which doesn't happen often in a person's life."

The companies that market and sell Monopoly around the world field players from 38 nations to the Japanese capital for the two-day event. The four finalists scored the highest points in their three qualifying games on Friday. Defending champion Yutaka Okada of Japan, who won in 2000 in Toronto, and U.S. national champion, Matt McNally of Irvine, California, failed to advance.

Invented in 1934 by German-born, Pennsylvania-native Charles B. Darrow, Monopoly is now sold in 80 countries and 26 languages. The world tournament was first held in 1973 in Washington.

International editions use the same format as the original sold in the United States but local currencies and street names are used. For instance, in the U.S. edition, the priciest street is the Boardwalk. In England, the same spot on the board is occupied by May-



Spain's Antonio Zafra Fernandez, from Madrid, 36, right, is congratulated by "Mr. Monopoly" Merwin Goldsmith after he won the World Monopoly Championship on Saturday in Tokyo.

fair and in France, it's Rue de la Paix. German players yearn to own Schlossallee. Special editions of the game have been released to commemorate movies, such as *Lord of the Rings*.

All four finalists wore tuxedos to Saturday's final, which used the U.S. version. A Mr. Monopoly, complete with a silver mustache, top hat and cane, hovered near the stage while a real banker managed the money.

Fernandez, who took up the game with his family as a child, said he "played to win" but didn't stick to a strategy.

"Luck was the deciding factor," said Phil Orbanes, the tournament's chief judge from the United States.

# Singaporean smashes cracker-eating record

The Associated Press

SINGAPORE — A 50-year-old man got a weekend of wacky world record attempts in Singapore off to a cracking start Saturday when he became the fastest eater of dry biscuits in the world.

Requiring just a few sips of water between dry-mouthed chomps, Jeffery Koh stuffed three cream crackers into his mouth and swallowed them in a mere 14.45 seconds. He raised his hands in triumph and flashed a victory sign as officials confirmed he had easily beaten Britain's Ambrose Mendy's 2002 mark of 49.15 seconds.

Sixteen others taking part in the cracker-eating contest Saturday also beat the previous record, said John Taylor, who organized the weekend of world-record-breaking attempts and who holds 79 records himself.

Four judges have flown in from Australia and all record-breaking feats will be submitted to the Guinness Book of Records, Taylor said.

Over the course of the weekend, 20 Singaporeans were attempting to smash 10 unusual records and put the tiny island nation on the map.

"This is what Singapore needs. We have got to get Singaporeans in there as far as world records are concerned," Taylor said.

But two other attempts Saturday — the fastest time pushing an orange with one's nose over a mile and the fastest time to slurp down tomato ketchup with a straw — failed.

While Taylor hand-picked the weekend's attempts, the record-aspirants said they were ideal for their chosen events.

"When I was young, I used to eat very fast. I just relaxed and went out to eat," said a sheepish Koh, who entered the cracker-eating contest with his nephew. "No, I will not be eating any more cream crackers."

Other events include a search for the person who can make a paper airplane that remains airborne the longest; — do the most push-ups in a minute; stuff the most burgers into his or her mouth at once; — pick up the most Smarties — a brand of candy-coated chocolates — with plastic chopsticks in the fastest time; — talk the fastest backwards; — say the most words in a minute; or — make the longest paper doll chain.

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## 15 killed in bus crash

MARION, Ark. — A bus carrying Chicago-area tourists to a Mississippi casino crashed and overturned early Saturday, killing at least 15 people, state police said.

The bus crashed on Interstate 55 in northeastern Arkansas, near Memphis, Tenn. It was headed to Tunica, Miss., a popular destination for casino gambling, when the accident happened about 5 a.m.

An undetermined number of other passengers were injured and taken to hospitals. Seven were listed in stable condition at a hospital in West Memphis.

Thirty people were aboard the bus, which was the only vehicle involved in the crash. Some of the dead were found crushed beneath the bus after wrecker crews arrived to pull it upright, state police spokesman Bill Sadler said.

To reach other victims, emergency workers sheared off the top of the bus. The roof lay nearby while rescuers worked. Ammunition popped open suitcases, clothes, pillows and cameras.

## Fugitive, guard captured

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A Tennessee fugitive was arrested at a Texas motel Friday along with the female guard accused of giving him a uniform and helping him slip away from a prison hospital six days earlier.

After a search that extended as far as Arizona, Edward McDaniel and Vicki Sanford surrendered quietly to federal officers and police before dawn at a Days Inn in El Paso, said Jennifer Hines, a spokeswoman for the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation.

McDaniel, 37, allegedly escaped Saturday by walking out during a shift change at the maximum-security DeBerry Special Needs facility in Nashville, where he was serving a 20-year sentence for the 1996 shooting of a sheriff's deputy.

Authorities believe he drove away with Sanford, 51, a former truck driver who had worked sporadically at the prison for about two years.

From The Associated Press



Army Brig. Gen. Joseph Schroedel, left, presents Army Spc. Robert Unruh's medals to his sister Amie Unruh, right, while his father Dennis Wahler, center, is overcome with grief during the service honoring him and his mother Karen Unruh-Wahler at the Southern Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Sierra Vista.

# 'Heroes in their own right'

## Family buries son killed in Iraq, mom felled by grief

BY ARTHUR H. ROTSTEIN

The Associated Press

SIERRA VISTA, Ariz. — An Army soldier, killed in Iraq, was buried a week later, while his mother, who died a week later, was buried alongside one another, hailed as "both heroes in their own right, and casualties of war."

"We're here today to pay our respects and to honor the passing of two great American heroes," said Chaplain (Maj.) Thomas McFarland. "One brave soldier, the other a faithful, caring mother."

Army Spc. Robert Unruh, a combat engineer with the 44th Engineer Battalion, had been stationed in Iraq less than a month

when he was shot as his unit came under small arms fire in Al Anbar Province.

Karen Unruh-Wahler, 45, a respiratory therapist in Tucson, collapsed at her home Oct. 2, hours after viewing her son's body, and died later that night.

An honor guard presented Unruh's sister, Amie, with a folded American flag and the Bronze Star, Purple Heart and Good Conduct Medal awarded posthumously to her brother. A 21-gun salute followed.

McFarland said Unruh, the fourth generation of his family to serve in the military, did so "faithfully and he served well. He was a good soldier." His mother, the chaplain added, provided "the un-

conditional love of a mother to support her child at a time like that, knowing that he was willingly stepping into harm's way. Duty called; she was there."

Unruh's remains were placed in side-by-side niches inside a vault at a veterans military cemetery.

Results of an autopsy conducted on Unruh-Wahler have not been released, but a friend said earlier in the week that she had been unable to cry during her son's death.

Among those attending the service was Gary "Rex" Finley, who said he had been a member of the same unit while serving in South Korea. Military deaths are always difficult, Finley said, and Unruh's mother "died of a broken heart."

# Officials discuss no-fly list criteria

By DAVID KRAVETS

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — The U.S. government has no "hard and fast" rules for deciding who gets put on the secret no-fly list of terror suspects barred from boarding airliners, the Transportation Security Administration said in court papers Friday.

The 301 pages of edited documents, filed in federal court in response to a Freedom of Information Act request by the American Civil Liberties Union, also said the secret list grew from 16 names the day of the Sept. 11 attacks to 594 by mid-December 2001.

The government did not reveal how many people are currently barred from flying or subject to extra screening because they are on watch lists. But for the first time Friday, the government disclosed some information on the criteria it uses to update the no-fly list each day.

One heavily blacked-out document, a report by the General Accounting Office, says getting on a list is guided by two "primary" principles: One is whether various intelligence agencies view an individual as a "potential threat to U.S. civil aviation."

The other is whether the agency requesting someone be put on a list has provided enough information to identify the person to be flagged at the check-in counter.

"However, these principles are necessarily subjective, providing guidelines, not 'hard and fast' rules," according to the author of the GAO survey, an intelligence officer for the TSA whose identity was blacked out.

Thomas Burke, an ACLU attorney, suggested that the government documents may help explain why hundreds of travelers are wrongly barred from flying or put through unnecessary searches at airports.

"We have learned more information about the degree to which getting your name on the list is a subjective process," he said.

TSA spokeswoman Jennifer Marty in Seattle said the agency had no comment on the disclosures.

An internal Dec. 5, 2002 TSA record about "false positives" shows that the agency received 30 calls per day from carriers about passengers who might have been wrongly flagged by a watchlist.

A confidential FBI document, dated Feb. 23, 2003, addressed confidential sources who might be screened again after passing through metal detectors.

The document's unidentified author advised that the criteria are confidential, "but involve things passengers might do which also might be things a terrorist would do," such as pray to Allah before a flight.

# Volcano's rumblings stir memories of son

The Associated Press

OAK LAWN, Ill. — Like so many others, Tom and Alice Johnston have been watching recent television footage of Mount St. Helens spewing steam and volcanic ash. But their reason is personal: Their son is buried there.

In the spring of 1980, David Johnston was part of a team of U.S. Geological Survey scientists studying the volcano. He also was the only scientist on duty there when it erupted May 18.

The 30-year-old's excited last words over the radio to other scientists have become lore: "Vancouver, this is it."

Johnston, one of 57 people killed in the blast, has since been honored across the nation, and the place where he people view the volcano bears his name — Johnston Ridge Observatory.

The Johnstons try to imagine what their son must have witnessed that fateful day in Washing-

ton state. They have visited the mountain five times since the 1980 eruption, mostly for dedications and tributes. And while it remains difficult to deal with their son's death, David Johnston's parents focus on how happy he was with what he chose to do with his life.

"Life isn't arriving, life is a journey," said his mother. "And he had 30 years of good journey."

Other scientists said Johnston loved what he was doing — even in his last moments, he was talking excitedly about what he was seeing.

Johnston transmitted his last words via radio as he witnessed the collapse of the mountain's north face — the biggest landslide in human history that was shaken loose by a 5.1 magnitude earthquake. That caused the molten rock to blast sideways, and debris exploded over the ridge where Johnston stood and beyond. His body was never found.

It seemed to his parents an odd occupation for a young man from



Tom and Alice Johnston hold a photograph Tuesday of their son David, taken the day before the geologist was killed by the May 18, 1980, eruption of Mount St. Helens.

America's heartland. After studying photojournalism at the University of Illinois, Johnston somehow found his way into geology, focusing on the study of volcanoes.

His mother worried at times, but she also trusted her son and his fellow scientists.

The 1980 eruption reminded scientists that they still had much to learn about volcanoes. At the time, every volcanic eruption in record-

ed history had gone straight up, said Peter Lipman, a retired scientist who was working with Johnston at Mount St. Helens. That explains why the scientists, who knew an eruption was imminent, believed they were safe five miles away, he said.

"We all learned some humility and respect from Mount St. Helens that day. We didn't know as much as we thought we did, and we lost a terrific guy."

# Candidates get tough in second debate

## Bush rebuts Kerry's pledge not to raise taxes; both contenders rush back to campaign trail

BY MARY DALRYMPLE

The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — President Bush and John Kerry sprinted back to the campaign trail, trying to build on their performances in an argumentative second debate that saw the presidential candidates colliding over war, jobs, education, health care, abortion, the environment and prescription drugs.

The 90 minutes included more tests exchanges on Iraq that reflected back on the first face-to-face meeting between the candidates. Bush said that if Kerry were president, Saddam Hussein "would still be in power." The senator replied: "Not necessarily be in power..."

The candidates also went on the offensive over job growth and the economy. Bush said tax increases would be inevitable if the Democrat took power, as Kerry promised not to raise taxes on those making \$200,000 or less.

Both candidates sped out of Friday night's debate and into some of the most narrowly divided states to build momentum in the little time for campaigning before the third debate, on domestic issues.

The president was headed to Iowa and Minnesota on Saturday, while his Democratic challenger travels to Ohio and Florida.

Kerry jumped immediately back into campaigning with a late night rally in St. Louis.

"How about two for two?" his wife, Teresa Heinz Kerry, said to a cheering crowd. "And on Wednesday we are going for the triple crown!"

The debate's questions were delivered by selected voters, just 25 subjects that spanned diplomacy, economics and ethics.

Kerry condemned Bush as the first president to see more jobs lost than created in 72 years, criticizing his successive tax cuts as a giveaway to the rich at the expense of massive budget deficits.

Kerry also responded without hesitation that he would pledge not to raise taxes on people making less than \$200,000. "Absolutely, yes, right into the campaign. Yes — I am not going to raise taxes."

Bush scoffed at the answer. "Of course he's going to raise your taxes." The president said Kerry would raise taxes on middle-class Americans to pay for campaign promises that he tagged at \$2.2 trillion, while labeling his opponent one of the country's most liberal senators.

The president dampened the second debate's momentum of the first debate, but several questions brought his emotions bubbling up as he moved aggressively to counter the Massachusetts Democrat. He overtook one of moderator Charles Gibson's questions as he attacked Kerry's statement that the U.S. went alone into war in Iraq.



Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry answers a question as President Bush looks on. During the debate, Kerry turned directly to the camera and said, "I am not going to raise taxes."

"I've got to answer this," Bush said as he cut off the moderator. "There are 30 countries there. It denigrates an alliance to say we're going alone, to discount their sacrifices."

Kerry showed a cooler and wordier bearing to the participants and television viewers, but he was no less argumentative than the more heated president. The Republican campaign said Kerry looked haughty, and Bush aides counted the Democrat's negative facial expressions.

An instant ABC News poll suggested that the voters who tuned in for the Friday night debate picked Kerry the winner by a narrower margin than the first debate. This time, the quick poll showed 44 percent of voters saying Kerry won, 41 percent favoring Bush and 13 percent declaring a tie. The two men fared about equally in a poll of debate viewers by CNN-USA Today-Gallup. Asked who did a better job, 47 percent said Kerry and 45 percent said Bush.

In some cases, the candidates used the forum to patch their weak spots.

The first question invited Kerry to bat down a reputation for being "wishy-washy." He turned it into an attack on Bush, saying the president "didn't find weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, so he's really turned his campaign into a weapon of mass deception" by claiming that the four-term Massachusetts senator had changed his mind when he had not.

Bush also set to lay to rest persistent rumors that the war in Iraq would require the nation to return to a military draft.

"We're not going to have a draft. Period," the president said.

The third and final debate will be held Wednesday in Tempe, Ariz., with the focus on domestic issues.



AP photos

Bush answers a question Friday during the debate in St. Louis against challenger Kerry, back ground. When asked if it was time to return to a military draft, Bush said, "We're not going to have a draft. Period."



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# Round 2: A battle to put best face forward

BY RON FOURNIER

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush smirked and winked and chuckled to himself. He jumped from his stool, chopped at the air and interrupted the debate moderator. As he fought to keep his emotions in check during a combative debate with Sen. John Kerry, the president jokingly said, "That answer almost made me want to scowl."

Several answers brought Bush's emotions to the surface, for better or worse, as he sought to curb Kerry's momentum.

The question that hung over the second of their three debates was whether Bush's aggressive, hyper style was an effective tool or a damaging habit — an extension of his disastrous first debate performance. Reviews were mixed.

Bush "seemed wound a bit too tight. He was a little like Nixon — sort of jumping out of his suit," said David Niven, political science professor at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton. "He looked bad on the TV close-ups."

"Kerry was way too wordy and Bush was folksy, feisty," said Charles Franklin, political science professor at the University of Wisconsin. "Bush looked comfortable, and produced a plausible story line."

As for voters, especially those in the shrinking middle yet to make up their minds, both Bush and Kerry presented an angry, negative face to national politics.

Several said they were disappointed by

## Analysis

both men.

"They're very argumentative. I'm actually disgusted," said Jennifer Schmitz, 38, a mother of three in Klamath Falls, Ore. "It's the same old back-and-forth meanness." In their 90-minute face-off, Kerry was cooler and windier, but less confrontational. He shook his head with a tight-lipped smile as Bush attacked the Republican campaign said Kerry looked haughty, and Bush sides counted the Democrat's negative facial expressions.

"He gave you a speech" on Kerry "and told you he'd plan carefully," Kerry told the crowd of uncommitted voters standing in for millions of Americans watching the debate. "He didn't. He broke his word."

At times, Kerry swiveled to address Bush directly, forcing camera angles that caught the president's facial reactions. Bush seemed to be aware that his reactions were being watched, as Kerry spoke, he scribbled notes or looked at the Democrat.

When Bush said Saddam Hussein would still be in power if Kerry was president, the Democrat said, "Not necessarily." He offered no explanation for an unclear answer, the latest twist in an uneven history on Iraq.

Both candidates sought to address their political vulnerabilities — for Kerry, assertion that he is a flip-flopper and, for Bush,

the self-inflicted wounds from the first debate.

Kerry summed up Bush's re-election campaign strategy nicely — "He wants you to believe that I can't be president." Then he accused Bush of prattling on crime and education policies among others before turning the topic back to Iraq. "Let me tell you this, I have never changed my mind about Iraq," Kerry said.

As for Bush, voters said last week they were turned off by his repetition of a few talking points during his turns at the microphone and his peevish facial expressions during Kerry's remarks. He did so poorly — about a third of voters formed a less favorable view of him during the debate, according to an AP-Ipsos poll — that he had nowhere to go but up.

Bush cut down on the antics Friday night, but didn't eliminate them. Early in the debate, Kerry quoted Republican senators expressing concern about Iraq. Television cameras caught Bush laughing to himself, then smirking, and finally giving a quick wink to somebody in the crowd.

He and Kerry repeatedly jumped from

their stools to respond, wandering the red-carpeted stage to make their points. Bush was the most aggressive, at one point overruling moderator Charles Gibson's attempt to pose a question after Kerry said he was "not going to go along with this president" in Iraq.

"I've got to answer this," Bush said, cutting off Gibson, then indignantly responded to Kerry. "You tell Tony Blair — we're going alone."

Often, Bush's voice rose to nearly a shout. Was it too much? That's in the eye of the beholder.

"Bush looks the most determined. He's up and down, but he's not angry. He focused on how he responds," said Chris Montgomery, 48, an uncommitted voter in

**Jennifer Schmitz**  
Voter and mother of three from Klamath Falls, Ore.

New Orleans who leaned toward Bush before the debate.

He said Kerry kept talking about his plan for Iraq, "but where was it?"

Craig Swatland, 40, an uncommitted voter listening to the debate on the radio in Bozeman, Mont., said Bush was "pretty heated up, but he's just being aggressive."

"I would just like one of these guys to answer a question," he said. "I'm tired of listening to the rhetoric and the carrying."

# Candidates play free and loose with statistical data

BY CALVIN WOODWARD

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It was a night of double-jeopardy on the

factual front.

In their second debate, President Bush claimed a boost in the child tax credit twice as high as he achieved, Democratic challenger

John Kerry cited job losses twice as bad as the reality and Bush said twice as many small businesses face higher taxes under Kerry than analysts believe.

Other claims Friday night went too far, too, a mix of the familiar and the new. Kerry said, "I have a plan to provide health care to all Americans," when his plan by all accounts falls millions of people short of that goal.

And a day after acknowledging in the clearest terms yet that Saddam Hussein had no weapons of mass destruction when the United States invaded Iraq, Bush declared: "Saddam Hussein was a threat because he could have given weapons of mass destruction to terrorist enemies."

One of the night's most bewildering exchanges resulted from Bush's claim that Kerry's plan to raise income taxes on the richest Americans would increase the tax burden on 900,000 small businesses whose owners claim the profits on their personal returns.

An analysis by the Annenberg Public Policy Center's Fact-Check.org and other independent groups found that the Bush campaign is counting all rich people who have even \$1 of outside business income as a small business owner, even if they have no employees.

The Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center projected that nearly 1 million people would fall into this category, but only half get most of their income from the business and only 471,000 of them have employees.

Kerry started Bush by saying that even the president is counted as a small business for tax purposes because he once earned \$84 from a timber company he owned.

The Annenberg analysis said Bush qualifies under that definition because he reported \$84 in in-

come from his part-ownership of a timber enterprise on his 2001 federal tax return.

For his part, Kerry charged, "The president has presided over an economy where we've lost 1.6 million jobs."

Kerry meant — but once again did not say — that those were private-sector job losses. Overall, with employment gains in the public sector, the economy has lost 821,000 jobs in Bush's time, according to the last employment report. Bush's claim of adding 1.9 million jobs in a little over a year also masked that bottom line.

Talking up his tax cuts, Bush said, "You remember we increased that child credit by \$1,000." Actually, his package increased the child credit to \$1,000, up from \$500.

Also in the debate:

■ Bush said of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida organization, "We've already got 75 percent of his people" — a loose legal phrase that was followed in awarding Iraq business to Halliburton.

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# Thousands cheer Free Speech Movement

BY MICHELLE LOCKE

The Associated Press

BERKELEY, Calif. — Forty years ago, Free Speech Movement protesters at the University of California, Berkeley, were hauled off in handcuffs. On Friday, they were welcomed back with open arms.

A rally featuring former Democratic presidential hopeful Howard Dean was the highlight of a week of events that included lectures and teach-ins commemorating the 1964 protest.

A common theme of the events: Get involved.

"Activism is not dead. Power to the people is not dead," said Dean, who spoke to a crowd of about 3,000 gathered under a blazing blue sky.

The Free Speech Movement began in October 1964 when police arrested graduate student Jack Weinberg for handing out leaflets about civil rights in violation of a campus ban on political activities.

It's hard to imagine that rule today. Sproul Plaza, where Weinberg was arrested, is the site of campaigns promoting everything from opinions on the Middle East to the merits of affirmative action.

Back in 1964, police put Weinberg in a squad car, but couldn't go anywhere because thousands of students surrounded the vehicle in a 32-hour protest.

Several students scrambled up on the car to speak, after considerably removing their shoes. Among the speakers was the

late Mario Savio, who electrified the crowd with his call to "put your bodies on the gears — upon all the apparatus" and change the system.

This time around, police loaned a squad car to the erstwhile protesters to add authenticity to Friday's rally.

"We were surprised that they were so readily amenable to it," says Michael Rossman, one of the leaders of the movement and an organizer of the 40th anniversary commemoration.

Friday's rally began with muted sing-alongs to protest-movement standards. But it wasn't long before speakers energized the crowd with full-throated orations on the constitutionality of the Patriot

Act, the Bush administration — and apathy.

Dean told students merely voting is not enough. They should run for office or support someone else's campaign.

"You have the power to stand up as they did in this very spot 40 years ago for a democratic America which allows ordinary people to reclaim their government," he said.

You have the power. Use it.

The Free Speech Movement culminated on Dec. 2, 1964, when 1,000 students marched into Sproul Hall for a sit-in and nearly 800 were arrested. Shortly after that, faculty voted to drop speech restrictions.

But the movement stretched beyond that, becoming a catalyst for the anti-Vietnam War protests that followed.

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## YOUR MONEY

## Computer making annoying sounds

Q. Whether I am on the Internet or not, there is a noise that comes out like a cat crying. I have shared it with my speakers, so I know the sound is coming from the computer. There is no regular time that it comes on, but it sure is annoying.

A. Martin Johan (mnsn.com).  
A. That's not a cat, Mr. J. It's supposed to be Beethoven.

You are experiencing a rare phenomenon in which a part of your computer called the BIOS (basic input/output system) has triggered a warning that your main microprocessor and/or other chips are giving off heat above the recommended level. BIOS uses a tiny and tiny speaker built onto the chipboards, and the warning signal is a rendition of Beethoven's "Für Elise" classic.

Usually the cause of the overheating is a failing fan, but another cause can be a lack of ventilation, so move the computer away from any obstructions covering the air vents on the case.

Sometimes the warning gets triggered because one of the circuit boards plugged in to the expansion slots has become loose. So if you're comfortable removing the cover, you might try pushing each of these boards to make sure they fit into the slots as far as they can go.

Replacing a fan is probably a job for a computer repair shop, so let's hope getting better ventilation or pressing down on the expansion boards will fix things.

Q. We recently bought our first Windows XP computer and an iPod music player. Multiple family members have created separate logons in XP and have their own iTunes music libraries. However, we cannot figure out how to share songs between users without actually

copying the songs to a CD and reimporting them into the other user's library.

A. Isn't there a easier way since the files are on the same computer? I find the whole XP concept of hiding file folders between users confusing. Can you help?

—Paul Smith (jafm.com)

A. A great many family Windows users than just your music lovers encounter this problem with Apple's super-popular iPod digital music player. It was designed to play the group up for Macs and not for PCs based on Microsoft Windows.

The best solution I know comes from Des Moines-based MediaFour Corp. It includes software called XPlay2 for iPods among its line of programs designed to let PCs read and write to Mac hard drives.

In essence, XPlay2 cuts through the fog of iPod copy protection and Apple's proprietary formatting system. Running on a PC the software can simply use music files in multiple user accounts to a drag-and-drop cakewalk.

Instead of that workarounds you figured by recording songs on a CD and then ripping them back into another user account, you can have folks just pick whatever tunes they want and drag copies to their iPod accounts.

There are no issues with the computer automatically synchronizing with the iPod when you connect it, so XPlay2 allows users to share files among different screen names without removing them.

The software works with Windows-formatted iPods and those with the Mac formatting. At \$30, this software is a particular boon to those of us with large MP3 collections on our PCs when we want to enjoy those sleek status symbols known

as iPods. Details at [www.mediafour.com](http://www.mediafour.com).

Q. I have tried everything I can think of, and still my mouse keeps getting slowed to a crawl after I have been on the computer for a period of time. Sometimes rebooting fixes it but not always.

A. I've played through all the settings under settings/control panel/mouse/pointer options and such. No help. I even thought I fixed it by replacing the mouse itself (theory was connector on the mouse had gone bad), but after a couple sessions the same thing is happening with the new mouse.

Then, with theory that the mouse driver might be bad (though Microsoft says it's fine), I went out and bought another mouse with its own driver — same result. I even thought I might have inadvertently set something on my virus/firewall program that slowed it down.

I've tested for spyware/adware, but none was found. My anti-virus and firewall seem to be working fine.

Any ideas? —Russ Herber (starstream.net)

A. As that great technical support consultant Sherlock Holmes once advised his sidekick Watson, "How often have I said to you that when you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth."

Yes, my dear Mr. H., you did a brilliant job attacking the Riddle of the Recalcitrant Rodent.

Your efforts covered just about every possible connection to mouse problems, including acquiring a brand-new mouse. You did not, however, consider what remains, however improbable that may sound.

Contact Jim Aiken at [ajaken@tristatechicago.com](mailto:ajaken@tristatechicago.com) or via email at [ajaken@tristatechicago.com](mailto:ajaken@tristatechicago.com), Room 400, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60611. Send him an e-mail or check out his website at [www.chicagoburn.com](http://www.chicagoburn.com). Ask him for a copy of view at: [www.chicagoburn.com](http://www.chicagoburn.com). AJA/sjm

## Airline raising domestic fares

The Associated Press

FORT WORTH, Texas — At least three major competitors followed American Airlines' lead and raised some domestic fares \$5 one-way and \$10 round-trip this week, but it remained unclear Friday if the increases would stick.

"Not everybody has gone along with yet," said Bob Jones, a travel columnist with OneTravel.com. "Basically, if the top six cover it, then there's a chance it'll stick."

American spokesperson Courtney Wallace said the Fort Worth-based airline implemented a fare increase on select fares and markets last week. This week, it announced a similar increase in some U.S. and Canadian markets.

"Certain fares, such as sale fares, were not increased," Wallace said. "The increase was intended to offset some fuel costs."

Spokesmen for Continental Airlines, Northwest Airlines and Delta Airlines all said Friday they matched American's fare hikes. United Airlines and US Airways did not immediately respond to a query from The Associated Press.

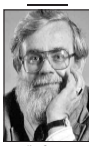
Airlines have attempted dozens of fare hikes this year, but almost all of them have failed because one airline or another refused to go along with them. That's left airlines with almost no pricing power at a time when fuel prices are at all-time highs.

"For those that have routinely demanded the apparent lack of industry pricing power, it would appear that we may have reached an inflection point where legacy carriers are really regaining their pricing traction," JP Morgan analyst Jaime Baker wrote in a research note.

Fuel accounts for about 14 percent of average airline expenses.

American said it expects to spend about \$1 billion more on fuel in 2004 than it did in 2003.

Ask Jim



Jim Coates

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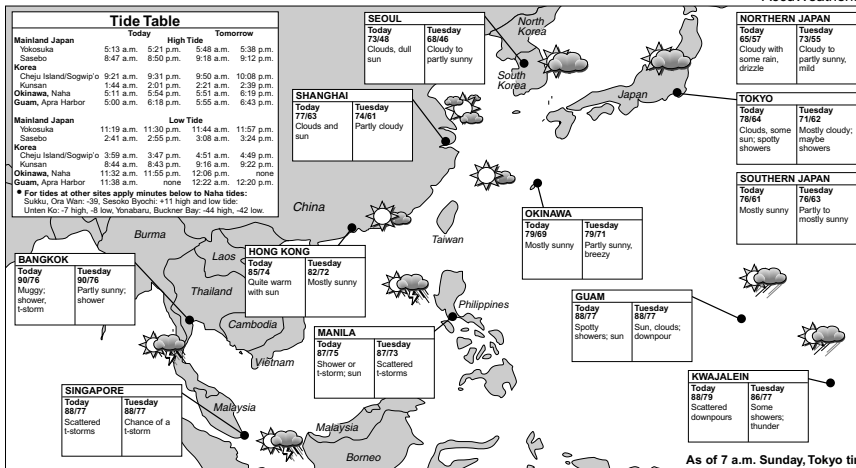
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## The Pacific Forecast

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## Extended Forecasts

## TOKYO

Wednesday: Partly sunny, high 72, low 63.  
Thursday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 71, low 61.

## KADENA

Wednesday: Partly sunny, high 81, low 38.  
Thursday: Partly sunny, high 79, low 69.

## SEoul

Wednesday: Partly sunny, high 64, low 38.  
Thursday: Mostly sunny, high 59, low 42.

## MANILA

Wednesday: Showers, high 85, low 37.  
Thursday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 87, low 75.

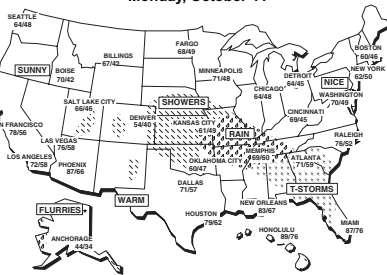
## HAGATNA

Wednesday: Showers, high 86, low 75.  
Thursday: Showers, high 86, low 75.

## Saturday's USA Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Albuquerque	75/48	Los Angeles	76/60
Amarillo	70/49	Little Rock	66/60
Anchorage	46/39	Louisville	77/53
Ashville	70/53	Miami	88/75
Baltimore	77/54	Milwaukee	67/45
Birmingham	70/62	Nashville	73/58
Bismarck	81/49	New York	76/58
Boise	65/41	Omaha	74/44
Boston	74/56	Orlando	87/68
Brownsville	87/68	Philadelphia	77/54
Buffalo	68/46	Phoenix	101/71
Burlington	76/52	Pittsburgh	74/46
Charleston, SC	81/64	Portland, OR	61/47
Chicago	77/60	Portland, ME	70/50
Cleveland	69/48	Salt Lake City	82/52
Columbus, OH	73/46	St. Louis	72/51
Duluth	62/41	San Antonio	85/63
El Paso	90/52	San Diego	76/63
Hartford	76/51	San Juan	89/76
Helena	70/40	Tampa	88/72
Indianapolis	73/49	Tulsa	73/57
Jacksonville	84/67	Washington	78/56
Kansas City	71/48	Wichita	76/54

## Monday, October 11



## U.S. Extended Forecast

The remnants of Matthew will affect the Southeast Monday and Tuesday as the storm drifts to the northeast and eventually out into the open Atlantic. Most of the rain should remain south of the mid-Atlantic and New England states, but some showers may arrive on Wednesday. Meanwhile, a strong cold front will dig south from Canada, impacting the northern Plains by early Wednesday. The front may result in some showers by the end of Wednesday from western Lake Superior to southern Minnesota. By contrast, a very warm, dry weather pattern will set up over the western United States as a large area of high pressure becomes the dominant weather feature.

## Monday's Pacific Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Bangkok	90/76	Iwakuni	75/59
Beijing	67/47	Kadena AB	79/69
Camp Casey	73/47	Kansan AB	75/55
Christchurch	59/43	Kewjinjin	88/79
Diego Garcia	84/75	Manila	87/75
Hagatna	88/77	Misawa AB	72/54
Hanoi	85/72	Osan	73/57
Hong Kong	80/64	Perth	71/52
Honolulu	89/76	Pusan	75/61

## Monday's World Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Acapulco	85/68	Budapest	53/31	Kabul	70/39	Nairobi	84/54
Athens	85/66	Buenos Aires	60/48	Kiev	42/22	New Delhi	87/60
Auckland	61/50	Cairo	86/62	London	10/37	Oslo	43/31
Baghdad	96/61	Cancun	90/77	Madrid	54/41	Paris	52/39
Barbados	88/71	Cape Town	71/53	Rio de Janeiro	61/43	Rio de Janeiro	77/63
Barcelona	64/53	Geneva	59/46	Mexico City	65/48	Rome	68/48
Berlin	47/32	Istanbul	75/47	Montreal	60/42	St. Petersburg	35/25
Bermuda	82/67	Jerusalem	84/59	Mogadishu	87/72	Stockholm	39/30
Brussels	54/37	Johannesburg	71/42	Moscow	34/19	Warsaw	41/26



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## Warden fired

**FL** ZEPHYRHILLIS — The warden and five other officers at Zephyrhills Correctional Institution have lost their jobs after the discovery that a suicidal female inmate was held naked at the prison for several days.

Investigators said they found no evidence the 27-year-old woman, the only female inmate at the prison, was sexually abused.

Ivey said the departures of the six employees, all men, were a result of their failure to follow prison rules.

## Ikea coming to Brooklyn

**NY** NEW YORK — The City Council has approved a plan to build a 346,000-square-foot Ikea store on a former shipyard in Brooklyn.

The proposed \$100 million development would be the home furnishing superstore's first location within city limits. The plan must still win approval by the state Environmental Conservation Department and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Ikea and its supporters have said the store would bring 600 jobs and thousands of shoppers to the down-at-heel Red Hook section of Brooklyn, which has been undergoing redevelopment in recent years.

## Man protests Nader

**CA** SANTA MONICA — A peace activist who once fasted for 63 days to protest movie violence and war toys is launching another hunger strike to persuade Ralph Nader to abandon his presidential bid.

Jerry Rubin, 60, said he plans to consume only liquids until Election Day if Nader doesn't take a meeting with him.

Many believe the votes Nader received in Florida in 2000 would have gone to Democratic candidate Al Gore had Nader sat out the election.

## 2 charged with bribery

**IL** CHICAGO — Two Chicago employees were charged with doling out work in a scandal-plagued city trucking program in exchange for payoffs and campaign contributions from trucking companies.

The two were charged with mail fraud and bribery as federal prosecutors expanded their investigation of fraud in the \$38 million Hired Truck Program — designed to save the city money by outsourcing such work as hauling materials to construction sites.

Authorities said the trucking companies risked being frozen out of city work if they didn't pay the money. Trucking company owners said they were besieged for campaign money for unnamed candidates.

## Mines shut down

**WV** HUNTINGTON — Unionized mines purchased from bankrupt Horizon Natural Resources have been shut down, and the United Mine Workers said it will treat the closures as a strike.

Picket lines will go up at six former Horizon operations in West Virginia, Kentucky, Indiana



and Illinois, UMW President Cecil E. Roberts said in an interview with The Associated Press.

Horizon filed for bankruptcy in November 2002, and its properties were sold. The company operated 20 mining companies in the four states, of which six were represented by the UMW.

The union mines were closed after a federal judge concluded that leaving the union's contracts in place would make the properties less marketable.

## Police chief arrested

**PA** HARRISBURG — A small-town police chief who prosecutors said repeatedly smoked seized marijuana while on duty was arrested on drug possession and other charges.

Police Chief Brian S. Cara, of Weatherly, in northeastern Pennsylvania, was released on personal-recognition bail after his arraignment on charges of possession of marijuana and paraphernalia, obstruction of justice and attempted obstruction.

The state attorney general's office said a grand jury heard evidence that cocaine and marijuana had disappeared from the Carbon County police department's evidence locker since 2002.

Using a hidden video camera, state drug agents allegedly observed Cara smoking pot on duty nine times, then numerous other times over the next two days.



## In living bronze

Dennis Jacobsen, president of the Souris Valley Danish Society, unveils a life-size bronze statue of Danish author Hans Christian Andersen in Scandinavian Heritage Park in Minot, N.D.

## Plans to reopen

**HI** HONOLULU — The University of Hawaii plans to reopen a portion of Lyon Arboretum, which has been closed because of "serious health and safety concerns," to a limited number of volunteers later this month, officials said.

Structural engineers reviewed the safety of five buildings on the upper Maanoa Valley property. Based on a preliminary report, officials decided it was safe to allow volunteers to return to parts of the arboretum while restricting access to some areas.

The university has not come up with a timetable for reopening the arboretum to the public.

## Testing wine toppers

**OR** PORTLAND — Wine snobs may snub screw-off caps in place of natural corks, but a study says they have no reason to whine.

A blind taste test done by researchers for Oregon State University has found that the stopper — be it natural cork, synthetic cork or a cap — makes no discernible difference in taste.

But in a second study, consumers given a choice between the two kinds of stoppers were much more likely to choose corked wine, saying it was better quality. Others said they would pay less for wine that was topped with a screw-top bottle.

## Man assaults lawyer

**LA** BATON ROUGE — A man on trial for taking a kindergarten hostage leaped up in court and slashed his public defender with a razor blade.

Barbette Williams, 48, of New Orleans was booked with attempted second-degree murder for injuring lawyer Bert Garraway.

Williams wrapped his arms around Garraway and cut his hair above the eye and on the neck just as the defense lawyer was about to rest his case.

Garraway walked out of the courtroom, his shirt red with blood, to go to a hospital for treatment.

Deputies were investigating how Williams got the razor into court.

## Couple pleads for dog

**NE** LINCOLN — Nebraska's Supreme Court heard a plea for mercy on behalf of a death row inmate of the four-legged variety — a dog condemned for fighting with a neighbor's pet.

The dog, Murphy, has been marked for death since 2001, when a judge ordered the Alaskan malamute-shepherd mix destroyed. Murphy's owners appealed, saying it was a scuffle that had been blown out of proportion. Three years later the case reached the highest court in the state.

But authorities argued that Murphy is a menace to society. Doug and Lorelei Dittoe adopted Murphy in 1994 after a friend found her malnourished and lying in a ditch.

The court could take several months to rule. A judge allowed the Dittoes to keep custody of Murphy while they appeal.



**Old-fashioned farming** Grayson Martin, 5, from Oak Hall Episcopal School in Ardmore, Okla., grimaces as he attempts to send an ear of corn through a hand-cranked sheller from the early 1900s in Sulphur, Okla.



**Run as fast as you can** Hilton Head Elementary School students charge from the starting line during the school's annual Trot on Hilton Head Island, S.C.



**Up close and personal** An owl butterfly lands the face of Kendall Thomas, 9, a fourth-grade student from the Bedford Village School in Brooklyn, N.Y.



**Creepy crawler** A spider works on a web in the early morning in a field near Bettendorf, Iowa.



**One thirsty duck** A duck gets ready to submerge its head into a puddle at the end of Minnesota Street in Carson City, Nev.



**Dodge this!** Iowa State University sophomore John Kenyon jumps over a throw during the Cardinal Division Dodgeball Tournament held at the Lied Recreation Center on campus.

## In need of translators

**TX** AUSTIN — Some Texas election officials are struggling to find enough Spanish-speaking clerks to work at polling places on Election Day. The scramble comes amid increased federal monitoring of how counties comply with election requirements for bilingual clerks and election materials.

Election officials, who say recruiting poll workers in general is hard, say they have tried to find Spanish speakers through the Internet, newspapers, radio, television and Hispanic chambers of commerce.

Hispanics make up 32 percent of the overall population in Texas, which recently became a majority minority state.

## Tribe appeals to court

**VA** RICHMOND — The Mataponi Indian tribe asked the state's high court to review lower court rulings allowing the construction of a reservoir that it claims violates a 17th-century treaty. The tribe said the King William Reservoir, which covers cultural sites near its 150-acre reservation and imperils the health of the shad fishery that has sustained its people for centuries.

## Car explosion

**NU** WEEHAWKEN — A car parked on a street exploded, killing its driver, blowing out windows and rattling residents of a neighborhood overlooking the Lincoln Tunnel.

The blast appears to have been an accident, said state police spokesman Sgt. Kevin Rehmann.

The victim, whose name was not immediately released, worked as a pipefitter, Rehmann said, and investigators found an acetylene tank in the back seat and another gas cylinder in the trunk of the burned-out Volkswagen. Investigators said the tanks may have leaked, and the gas may have ignited by the car's ignition or a cigarette.

## Bag destroyed

**MS** JACKSON — Airport security officers destroyed a passenger's carry-on bag after an X-ray showed a suspicious object and the owner falsely claimed to be a law enforcement officer, officials said.

No bomb was found, and the passenger was being questioned, said Larry Rowlett, federal security director for airports in Mississippi.

The bomb scare closed the airport for an hour. Hundreds of people were evacuated, and flights were delayed.

The passenger told officials that the suspicious item was a phone charger, but the item did not match the phone he was carrying, Rowlett said. The bag was blown apart with a water cannon in an airport stairwell, and among the remains were wires, a telephone battery, tweezers and a cassette player, authorities said.

## Embarrassing mistakes

**CA** LIVERMORE — Spelling counts — especially at a library.

A \$40,000 ceramic mural was unveiled outside the city's new library and everyone could see the

misspelled names of Einstein, Shakespeare, Vincent Van Gogh, Michelangelo and seven other historical figures.

Artist Maria Aguilar said she was willing to fix the work, which is 16 feet wide and made up of brightly colored ceramic pieces. But she offered no apologies for the 11 misspellings, including "Eistein," "Shakespeare" and "Michelangelo," among the 175 names.

Anyway, she said, the mistakes wouldn't even register with a true artisan.

## Runaway arrested

**NE** OMAHA — A 15-year-old runaway girl and a male companion were arrested in Nebraska, ending a two-day chase by police that prompted schools to cancel some activities.

Wendy Valencia's parents reported their daughter as a runaway. Police later found her and were preparing to take her home when she allegedly stole an unmarked squad car and eluded authorities at speeds up to 100 mph.

Two people were spotted in a stolen car, and authorities concluded the girl had a companion with her. But the two managed to ditch the vehicle and flee after firing shots at a patrol car, authorities said. The officer was not injured, police said.

Police conducted an intensive search, using an airplane, helicopter and tracking dogs. The two were arrested in Phelps County, about 200 miles west of Omaha, according to Deb Collins, a spokeswoman with the Nebraska State Patrol.

No formal charges were immediately filed against either the girl or her companion, identified as Emeterio Guajardo, 18.

## Capping the stench

**WA** SUNNYSIDE — Hoping to shed the nickname "Smellyside," the City Council has approved a \$2.5 million agreement to move a 150-acre feedlot out of this Yakima Valley town.

A deal for the town to buy the land from Monson Ranches Feed Co., which promised not to open a similar operation within 20 miles, was approved after years of unsuccessful negotiations.

Boosters in the central Washington town of 13,900 have blamed the feedlot, a source of frequently pervasive dust and noxious manure from 25,000 head of cattle, for hampering commercial and residential development.

## Smokers support ban

**ME** AUGUSTA — A majority of smokers support Maine's smoking ban in bars, lounges and pool halls, according to a new survey.

A poll commissioned by the Maine Coalition on Smoking or Health shows that 54 percent of Maine residents who smoke support the ban, up from 40 percent who favored it when the law went into effect Jan. 1. Among all respondents, 76 percent said they favor the smoking ban, up from 71 percent last December.

Carol Kelly, director of the Augusta-based coalition, said she was particularly heartened by the number of smokers who support the law.

Stories and photos from wire services.



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## FACES



Carly Schroeder, 13, wasn't sure about her role in the Rated "Mean Creek," but it was smooth sailing.

ROBERT CAPLIN/LATWP

# A cruel irony for 'Mean Creek' actress

BY SUSAN KING  
Los Angeles Times

## HOLLYWOOD

Carly Schroeder's friends have been teasing the 13-year-old actress that she needs to be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian to see her latest film, "Mean Creek."

The harrowing R-rated youth drama, which won the Humanitas Award at the Sundance Film Festival, deals with a revenge prank that goes wrong. Schroeder's Millie is the only girl among the group of teenage boys who embark on a "Deliver-

ance"-style river trip that turns into tragedy.

"I don't get how I am too young to see my own movie," says the lanky blond actress. "It's crazy."

Schroeder admits she was hesitant to do the movie when she first read the script because there was so much "cussing in it and there was pot smoking." But after she "slept on it," Schroeder decided to do the film "because it does have an important message that a lot of movies try and hide."

Being the only girl and the youngest by two years in the cast, Schroeder says she was "pampered" by two of her co-stars,

Ryan Kelley and Trevor Morgan. They even took her to her first R-rated movie, "Freddy vs. Jason."

"I am not quite sure I needed to see it," Schroeder says, laughing. "I was shaking through the entire thing."

The Indiana native has been acting since she was 5.

"I was seen on a Shake 'n Bake commercial by Kin Shriner, who played my TV dad on 'Port Charles.' He said, 'That's the girl I want to play my daughter.' My mother didn't want to go to California because all of our family was in Indiana."

But Schroeder persuaded her mom to let her audition. "I said, 'Mom, how often

do people get flown to California to go to an audition?' I am glad she listened to me."

She spent 7½ years on the ABC soap. "I was America's sweetheart on the show," says Schroeder, who also appeared on Disney's "Lizzie McGuire" comedy series.

The eighth-grader admits she's obsessed with the reality show genre. "My favorite is 'Road Rules X-Treme,' which is on MTV. I like 'Fear Factor.' It's pretty cool."

And she has just finished working with a New York writer to develop a children's reality series about dream jobs. "I am not quite sure what the title is," she says. "We are hoping to pitch it in 2005."

## OutKast leads pack in MTV nominations

Hip-hop group OutKast has a leading five nominations for the 2004 MTV Europe Music Awards, followed by Usher, with four nominations.

The awards will be presented Nov. 18 at the Tor di Valle Hippodrome in Rome.

Beyoncé, Britney Spears, Anastacia, Jay-Z, Maroon 5, Black Eyed Peas and Franz Ferdinand have three nominations each, organizers said Wednesday.

Performers at the awards ceremony will include the Beastie Boys and Eminem, who will present his new single, "Just Lose It," from the upcoming album "Encore."

## McDonald's, Destiny's Child team up

McDonald's Corp. has a new music partner: Destiny's Child.

The fast-food company announced Wednesday that the R&B group will play an integral role in its "I'm lovin' it" ad campaign, which kicked off last year with Justin Timberlake in a starring role.

McDonald's said it will sponsor the group's world-wide tour and feature the trio in new commercials and special restaurant merchandising.

Destiny's Child also will make appearances on behalf of



Destiny's Child

Ronald McDonald House Charities and other children's causes.

"We're lovin' the chance to work with McDonald's and know that together we'll create lots of fun and cool surprises," said Beyoncé Knowles of Destiny's Child.

## Hall of Fame to rock out in June

The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum will celebrate its 10th anniversary with a four-night music festival.

The rock hall, located alongside Lake Erie, plans to bring more than 100 bands to town for the festival June 8-11 in partnership with the CMJ (College Media Journal) Network.

"This will be a catalyst to drive a lot of people to Cleveland," said Terry Stewart, president and chief executive officer of the rock hall.

Musical acts from across the United States and abroad will perform at the rock hall and area venues. The rock hall expects the festival to draw up to 20,000 people.

## Moore appearing to back Kerry

Nine thousand tickets have been sold for Michael Moore's upcoming appearance at the University of Arizona, organizers said.

Moore, the director of "Fahrenheit 9/11," will appear at the university Monday. Tickets have sold for \$5 each.

Fernando Ascencio, director of the Speakers Board of the Associated Students of the University of Arizona, said Wednesday the ticket sales will cover the filmmaker's

\$27,500 speaking fee, rental of McKale Center and other expenses.

Moore, a supporter of Democratic presidential nominee John Kerry, is touring the country and imploring "slackers" who usually don't vote to head to the polls this year.

Republicans at the college have petitioned the student government to host a pro-Bush speaker of equal celebrity before the Nov. 2 election.

## Manila welcomes 'Idol' finalist

"American Idol" finalist Jasmine Trias arrived in Manila to a rousing welcome from fans and media jostling at the airport to get a glimpse of the 17-year-old Filipino-American.

The Hawaii teen made it to the top three in the popular Fox television talent contest in May. Filipinos, like Hawaiians, closely followed her performance and cheered her on.

Trias' commercials — endorsing a hamburger chain, a phone company and a clothes company — have been airing on local television. A giant billboard bearing her face is seen by hundreds of thousands of commuters on Manila's main avenue each day. Trias is set to do more endorsements and make the rounds of TV variety and talk shows during her visit, the Philippine Daily Inquirer quoted her as saying.

Stories and photos from The Associated Press



Trias

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## Vehicle maintenance pays off

Why perform preventative maintenance on our vehicles and equipment? Here in Iraq I have found that units that are properly maintaining their equipment have fewer breakdowns and mishaps. Supervisors and operators who are knowledgeable of their equipment's manuals are able to foresee problems before they become major problems.

While I have been serving in Iraq, I've have been doing safety inspection on my bat-  
talion's and surrounding units' equipment.  
During that time I have found faults that  
should have been found during the crews'  
weekly and monthly maintenance checks.  
Some of the faults that I am finding are as  
follows: engine oil low, transmission fluid  
low, air filters dirty, fuel filter drain clogs  
clogged, steering linkage with loose mount-  
ing bolts, ball joints worn out, and drive line  
components not lubed. All these faults will  
lead to major component breakdowns in the  
equipment that they use.

These faults that have been found are eas-  
ily corrected and in doing so will keep your  
vehicle from breaking down at the worst  
possible time. One of our jobs as leaders is  
to ensure that every task is understood, sup-  
ported and accomplished. Finally, no sol-  
dier should ever be released from a task  
until they have completed it to standard.

Soldiers who are proactive and not reac-  
tive get the mission completed to standard  
and have time off to take care of personal  
business. The NCO Creed tells us that offi-  
cers will have the maximum amount of time  
to complete their jobs because they will not  
have to do ours. The No. 1 job as a NCO is  
the accomplishment of the mission. We all  
need to get back to the basics and know  
what the back of our hand. Then every-  
thing else will come together like clockwork.

Sgt. 1st Class Charles Willard

Forward Operating Base Danger, Iraq

## Camaderie comforting

I work with the 323rd Maintenance Com-  
pany at Forward Operating Base Speicher.  
where we make up armor. We have three  
branches of military working side by side on  
the up armor: The Air Force, Navy and the  
Army work together for the same thing in

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one ship. I have not seen that in my 24 years  
in Iraq. It shows that all three can work  
together very well -- and they are all reserv-  
ists.

I read Stars and Stripes every day. It is  
like a cup of coffee.

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Karl Hannan

Forward Operating Base Speicher, Iraq

## Draft more fair than stop loss

I feel almost betrayed that the House of  
Representatives voted overwhelmingly to  
defeat a bill reconstituting the draft. I will  
complete my second tour in Iraq in Febru-  
ary, and my unit is already scheduled for its  
third tour in November 2005. I am not com-  
plaining, but as I look toward my 275 date  
of January 2006, I stand absolutely con-  
vinced that I will be "stop loss" and  
forced to return to Iraq.

Why should the civilian population of our  
country be protected from forced service,  
while our soldiers are not? "Stop loss" is a  
de facto draft that forces military person-  
nel to stay in Iraq until they have fulfilled their  
obligations, to remain in the military for ex-  
tended periods of time. If our military is  
spread to the point where it needs to extend

the enlistments of our soldiers in order to  
fill the manpower requirements of its obli-  
gations, then couldn't it be said that the mil-  
itary is undermanned?

Some say that freedom is not free, but  
many young people in America today are  
sure getting it at wholesale prices.

Why is it that only a select group of patri-  
otic Americans are busy with deferring their  
entire nation? How can people support the  
war, and not a draft? War is OK, so long  
as their children are not the ones fighting it.  
I know that hanging around in Iraq, drink-  
ing and partying are very important activi-  
ties, but isn't the defense of our nation also im-  
portant?

If we as a nation are truly committed to  
our war on terrorism, then we must inevit-  
ably face the fact that our nation's freedom  
sometimes, God forbid, requires sacrifice.

David M. Izant

Camp Ancoana, Iraq

## Drinking it all in

I commend Sgt. Dale Rogers for his entre-  
preneurship and ingenuity in starting his  
Web site, described in the Oct. 5 article by  
Sgt. Robson. "Legal buzz kills 'beer for sol-  
diers' Internet site" (Stars and Stripes, Korea  
editions). However, the funds generated from  
this Web site did not buy beer for ev-  
eryone in the Army. I believe just Sgt. Ro-  
gers and his buddies benefited. Although  
probably unintentional, the proceeds are ex-  
clusive and do not benefit all the soldiers  
serving our great nation. However, if the  
funds generated were donated to Morale,  
Welfare and Recreation or nonappropriated  
funds, they could benefit all of our "great  
Americans" serving overseas.

If nothing else, perhaps the funds can go  
to the Family Readiness Group in the rear  
detachment to throw a big party for our re-  
turning heroes. The FRG can also use the  
funds to offset costs of bus and transportation  
or to pay for a huge social event like a ball to  
really lift morale. Then Sgt. Rodgers, his  
buddies and all the patriots in his unit can  
have the welcome they deserve.

I'm prior-service, and the 2nd Infantry Di-  
vision was my first duty assignment when I  
was enlisted. I can understand why Sgt. Ro-  
gers wanted more beer and I wish all of them  
safe return. I'll keep them in my prayers.

Capt. Ralph Ray Stanton Jr.

Wurzburg, Germany

## Right time for Round 5 of base closings

BY DALE McFEATERS

Scripts Howard

Despite four previous rounds of  
military base closings, the De-  
fense Department's 2010 estimates  
it has 20 percent to 25 percent ex-  
cess capacity. But base closings are tricky  
politically and lawmakers hate to do it.

That's why it's a set of some strange  
final touches that the House agreed, in putting the  
final touches on a defense bill, to drop a pro-  
vision it adopted in May postponing a sched-  
uled round of base closings from next year  
to 2007.

The military began trying to close excess  
bases in the 1960s only to be frustrated by  
lawmakers fiercely denying installations  
in their home districts. Finally, in 1988, Con-  
gress agreed on a Base Realignment and  
Closure Commission to decide, based on an  
objective set of standards, which bases to  
close. Congress could not pick apart the  
commission's recommendations; it had to  
accept them or reject them in their entirety.

Since then, there have been four rounds  
that closed 97 surplus bases and subjected  
55 others to major realignments at ongoing  
savings of \$6 billion a year. The closings

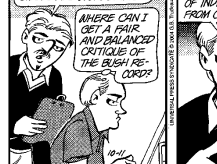
stopped in 1995 when Republicans charged  
that President Clinton had subverted the  
process to save two bases so as to score polit-  
ical points in Texas and California.

The Bush administration has been trying  
to relaunch the process ever since it took of-  
fice — only to be frustrated by Congress. Fi-  
nally, the White House threatened to veto  
this bill if it came to the president's desk  
minus the base closings, and for whatever  
reason the House wisely relented.

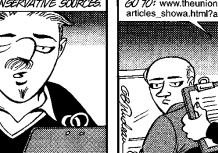
The Pentagon says a new round of clos-  
ings will save \$3.5 billion a year, and for  
what we're now spending on defense, we  
need to save every billion we can.

## Doonesbury

HI, FOLKS! AS THE ELECTION  
APPROACHES, BUSY UNDER-  
CITIES ARE UNWINDING...



WE'LL LOOK NO FURTHER  
THAN OUR HONEST VOTERS'  
READING LIST: A ROUNDUP  
OF INDEPENDENT ARTICLES  
FROM CONSERVATIVE SOURCES



COOL! THINKING  
OF MEETING  
FOR MEETING  
HONEST VOICES  
MAN!



BY GARRY TRUDEAU

## OPINION

## Bush's goals for Iraq grow more ambitious

BY JOHN HALL  
Media General

**V**ice President Dick Cheney complained during last week's debate that Iraq's forces were not getting as much credit as American troops for casualties in the Iraq war. He grew irritated, almost indignant, when his opponent, Sen. John Edwards, said U.S. forces were bearing 90 percent of coalition fatalities.

Iraqi security forces "have suffered casualties, as well as the allies," and when you include them, "the 90 percent figure is just dead wrong," said Cheney. "... So your facts are just wrong, senator."

Cheney said the real figure is that Iraqis "have taken almost 50 percent of the casualties in operations in Iraq." That, he said, "leaves the U.S. with 50 percent, not 90 percent."

Edwards did not challenge these numbers. Who could? There is no accurate Iraqi body count. A private group has estimated there may be 15,000 civilian dead in Iraq but that is little more than a guess.

The Pentagon keeps detailed U.S. casualty figures. The combat death toll rose above 1,060 last week. But that's only a partial description of the cost of this war on American families and lives.

The Defense Department said 4,194 have been wounded so seriously they could not be returned to duty.

These are heavy losses to achieve freedom for another nation. But President Bush last week, in his Wilkes-Barre, Pa., speech, escalated the mission another notch by declaring that Iraq should become not only a "free society at the heart of the Middle

East," but an ally in the war on terror and "a model of hopeful reform in a region that needs hopeful reform." If Iraq can be free, he said, "every free nation will be more secure."

Those were not the goals he originally set. Going into the invasion, the objective was more limited and specific: to disarm Iraq and rid it of weapons of mass destruction. But last week, a final report from Bush's own disarmament inspectors confirmed that there were no such weapons.

Nonetheless, Bush and Cheney said that finding no weapons made no difference. Saddam Hussein was a state sponsor of terror who eventually would have acquired unconventional weapons, they predicted.

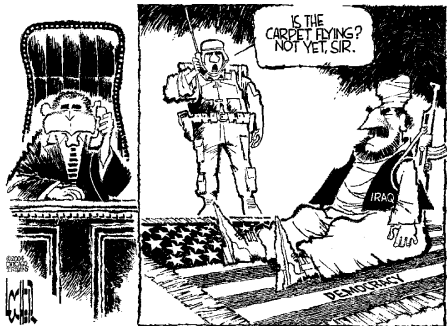
With an active terrorist insurgency and rockets falling on a Baghdad hotel last week, it is hard to see how Iraq will become a model to the Arab and Muslim world in the near future.

And for U.S. military services, the model is beginning to look a lot like the "falling domino" theory of the Vietnam War, in which some American officials felt U.S. forces needed to make a stand to stop the spread of communism throughout Southeast Asia and into the Pacific. Freedom modeling sounds bothersome.

"The Iraqi people need to know that America will not cut and run when their freedom is at stake," said Bush, charging that Kerry would do just that. Kerry denied vociferously that he would leave Iraq in the lurch.

The debate is just high-stakes politics. But on another level, there is some real confusion about the goal and timetable in Iraq.

None of it seems to square with recent hints that U.S. troops can leave in a year or



so, even if the security situation remains problematic.

A decade or more of hard slogging by coalition forces could be needed to achieve the kind of peace and quiet for Iraq to be a true model democracy.

From the beginning, well before 9/11, Cheney and his neoconservatives seemed eager to risk American forces to topple Saddam in pursuit of "regime change." But the Iraqis inside and out who were said to be ready to fight to get their country back never

seemed to materialize.

American troops who were killed in Iraq and those who came back broken and maimed gave a lot and are heroes. This country has suffered from this war.

Iraq has suffered, too. And large numbers of its security forces have died, some of them heroically and some while standing in line to sign up as soldiers. Their blood is the same color. Their families grieve just as mightily. But it is, after all, their country.

John Hall is the senior Washington correspondent of Media General News Service.

## On Election Day, twice is nice — for the sacrifice

BY GEORGE J. BRYJAK

**T**he history of voting rights in the United States has been one of increasing participation. In 1776, suffrage was overwhelmingly the privilege of property-owning, white Protestant males over 21. Over the next two centuries African-Americans (1870), women (1920), all American Indians (1948) and 18-year-olds (1971) won the right to cast ballots. It's time for the next step in the evolution of voting rights in this country: The U.S. Constitution should be amended to give all military personnel and veterans an additional vote. That is, they should be permitted two ballots each in local, state and federal elections.

The precedent for a "weighted" electorate already exists, a consequence of military laws in 48 states and the District of Columbia, 47 million current and former convicted felons (1 in 43 adults) have lost the right to vote, in some instances for life.

If we disenfranchise a category of citizens because their behavior has undermined the well-being of society, it makes equal sense to reward those individuals whose conduct insures the safety and security of the nation. Military service is ultimately about killing and dying for one's country. Killing (even a hated enemy) does not come easily to many individuals, and nobody wants to die on a distant battlefield.

During peacetime, thousands of military personnel are injured every year and many more lose their lives via training accidents. Members of the armed forces are separated from family and friends for extended periods of time and must place jobs, careers and education on hold for years while they serve.

Individuals who voluntarily place themselves in harm's way for their country

should have a greater voice in how that country is governed. Politicians would pay particular attention to veterans — as well they should — to gain support of a large and particularly influential group of voters.

No doubt many will cry "foul" at such a proposal, viewing it as radical departure from an ethic of political fairness and equality. Unfortunately, the reality that each citizen, regardless of his or her station in life, has an equal impact on government is long gone — if, in fact, it ever existed. Only the most naive individual fails to understand that corporations and a plethora of special-interest groups (by way of campaign contributions) have a monumentally disproportionate impact on elected officials at all levels of government.

It's time to even out the top-heavy, political decision-making process in this coun-

try. How can a people who sheepishly accept a "corporate democracy" object to increased political input from the mostly working and lower middle-class individuals who comprise the American military?

From its inception, this nation has espoused ideal values of freedom, equality and fairness. However, the reality of our history has been a struggle by women, people of color and other minorities to realize these values. As we move toward a more equitable and just society, "life chances" will become more a function of individual ability and less a matter of skin color, gender and other inherited characteristics. However, as long as we have an armed forces consisting of volunteers, "death chances" will never be fair and equitable.

A completely just and equitable society would adopt a system of compulsory military service wherein every citizen, male

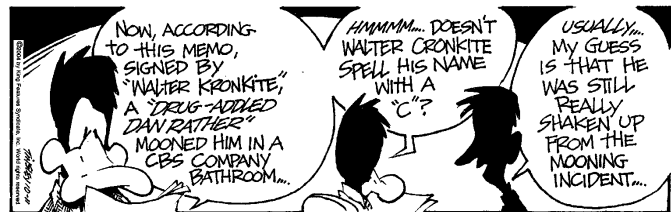
and female, rich and poor, would have an equal opportunity to kill and die for his or her flag. In the United States, the idea of universal military participation is highly unpopular with both liberals and conservatives. As this aversion to compulsory service is unlikely to change, the nation always will be composed of those who are willing to make the ultimate sacrifice for their country and those who are not.

Politicians of every stripe — especially in times of conflict — never tire of stating that the armed forces represent the nation's best and bravest men and women. If they truly believe what they say, it's time for them to act on these convictions. Congress should commence discussions immediately toward amending the Constitution to grant current and former service personnel additional voting rights.

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## Mallard Fillmore

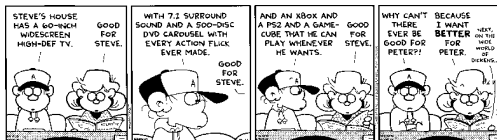
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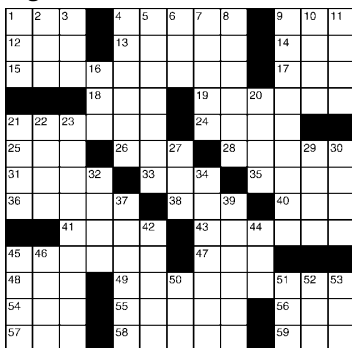
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# Eugene Sheffer Crossword



## Across

- 1 Cribbage score
- 4 Aides (Abbr.)
- 9 To and —
- 12 Thoroughfare (Abbr.)
- 13 Chanteuse
- 14 "— Gang"
- 15 Iai
- 17 Mel of Cooperstown
- 18 "— be seeing you"
- 19 Pledges
- 21 Legendary
- 24 Scream
- 25 Buckeyes' sch.
- 26 Hideaway
- 28 Fives one's fate
- 31 Underwater breathing apparatus
- 33 Bestow
- 35 Lingerie
- 36 Windstorms
- 38 Slight amount
- 40 Round Table address
- 41 Put together
- 43 Biological categories
- 45 Addicted
- 47 Taper's intersection
- 48 Big bother
- 49 Object of a futile chase
- 54 Part of UCLA
- 55 Y2K in the-news kid
- 56 "Holy mackerel!"
- 57 Raw rock
- 58 Saxophonist's supply
- 59 "... as an elephant's —"
- 61 Verne hero
- 62 Europe's neighbor
- 63 Teddy's party
- 67 Enthusiast
- 69 "The Ghost and Mrs. —"
- 70 Antitoxins
- 72 Watergate problem
- 74 Mideastern capital
- 75 Sauntered
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- 84 Sgt., for example
- 85 Get angry
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- 92 Naomi's daughter-in-law
- 93 Doggie-bag fill
- 94 Have a bug
- 95 Swan, zoologically

## Down

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- 2 Zsa Zsa's sis
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- 4 Sauntered
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- 45 Get angry
- 46 Bloodhound's clue
- 50 Tall tale
- 51 Buy now, pay later
- 52 Sauce source
- 53 Lamb's dam

## Answer to Previous Puzzle

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	RUT	NOS
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# In-law has designs for house

**Dear Abby:** My mother-in-law, "Diana," is a successful interior designer. Her son, "Abby," and I just moved into a new home, and she can't wait to visit. In the past, this has meant days of listening to Diana's endless suggestions about all of the "wonderful things we can do" with "our" new home. Brent is no help when it comes to shutting her off.

I'm anxious about Diana's visit because she ignores my hints that she keep her ideas to herself. Am I being mean-spirited? Her ideas are usually not in keeping with our style or budget.

How should we handle it when she offers a house-warming gift like lawn furniture — and insists on "helping" us pick it out? Diana visits so often that we can't accept something and not use it.

Abby, this has gone on for 13 years. I love her in so many other ways, but this makes me

feel like an ungrateful daughter-in-law. Please help.

**— Anxious in North Carolina**  
*Dear Anxious:* Since Diana is an interior designer by profession, she could be verbalizing her ideas out of force of habit. Once the ideas start flowing, it can be

hard to shut off the tap. Rather than becoming defensive when Diana starts offering suggestions, simply tell her that you will "keep them in mind" or "give them some thought."

It's not insulting, nor does it commit you in any way. If she offers a house-warming gift, remind her that her tastes and yours are not always in sync — and let her know what YOU have in mind.

After all, you will have to live with the results.

**Dear Abby:** Four months ago, my husband sent his 22-year-old daughter a check for a special occasion. She still hasn't cashed

it. She insists if she cashes it, the money will be spent on groceries and rent instead of something special.

My mother always told me it was rude not to cash a check from someone immediately, because otherwise the sender had to deal with it every month when trying to balance his or her checkbook. My husband says I am picking on her. Am I old-fashioned?

**— "Wicked" Stepmom**

**Dear Stepmom:** Here in California, if a check isn't cashed within a certain time, it's considered invalid.

However, since your husband has accused you of sniping at his daughter, and he doesn't seem to mind the inconvenience caused by his daughter's outstanding check, it's time to halt the helpful criticism and examine your motives.

Letters for this column — with your name and phone number — should be addressed to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 6940, Los Angeles CA 90069. Readers can write to Abby on the Internet at <http://www.ueexpress.com/dearabby>. Universal Press Syndicate

Dear Abby



# Parents must be firm, caring

**Dear Annie:** My husband and I have a bad situation with our 17-year-old daughter, "Tandy."

Twice in the last few months, Tandy has come home drunk after attending parties. My husband and I think the drinking started at the end of her freshman year. Tandy was a good student. Now she rarely gets above a C.

Tandy has her driver's license, so she can tell me she is going one place and end up at another. After the last episode of drinking, we grounded her and suspended driving privileges for two months, so she is not allowed to leave the house except for school.

Now that she is homebound, Tandy cries that she is going to lose all her friends and that everything she's not rotten parents because we keep such close tabs on her. She says she hates me and limits her side of our conversations to monosyllabic responses.

I know we must stand firm with our punishment, but we are afraid

Annie's Mailbox



that we could lose Tandy forever. We are seeking family counseling but want to know what else we should do.

**— Trying To Be a Good Parent**  
*Dear Trying:* Family counseling is a good start, and yes, your punishment is fair and you should stick to it. It's hardly unusual for teenagers to lash out against their parents,

but that doesn't mean you should cave. Tandy is testing your resolve.

The most important thing is to approach any discipline with love and concern instead of anger and disappointment. Tandy needs to see in your eyes, and hear in your voice, that she is precious to you.

**Dear Annie:** A patient of mine sent me your column on statin medications and memory loss. Many people who take statins are in an age group in which memory loss is common. Although

muscle aches are a known and sometimes serious side effect of statins, these medications are not known to cause dementia, and in fact are being looked at as a possible treatment for it.

As a physician, I see hundreds of people whose high levels of cholesterol make them a target for heart attacks or strokes. Many either refuse to take statin medication or stop taking it because they fear possible side effects. Please get out of the medical business.

**Doc in Connecticut**  
*Dear Doc:* Part of the purpose of this column is to educate. The vast majority of those with high cholesterol benefit enormously from statins, and there is no question that they save lives. But when readers ask about credible studies linking statins to muscle and joint pain and memory loss in a small minority of patients, we feel an obligation to print the information.

Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to [annie@mailbox.comcast.net](mailto:annie@mailbox.comcast.net), or write to: Annie's Mailbox, c/o Creators Syndicate, 5777 W. Century Blvd., Suite 700, Los Angeles, CA 90045. Creators Syndicate

# JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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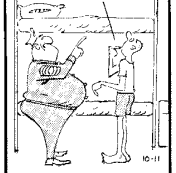
Answer: " " " " (Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: BELLE DUMPY UPKEEP STUPID

Answer: What he did when the ceiling light failed — "STEPPED UP"

# THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By Henri Arnold and Mike Arginton



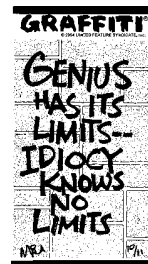
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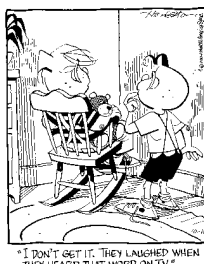
# Family Circus



"Today's Columbus Day. If it wasn't for him we'd be Europeans."

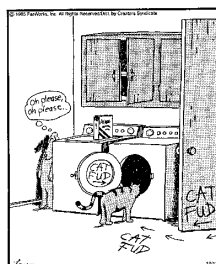


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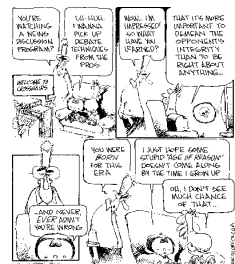


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# Report: Strzelczyk had a breakdown

Witnesses called former Steeler's behavior erratic

The Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — A police investigator says new evidence suggests that former Pittsburgh Steeler's lineman Justin Strzelczyk likely had a mental breakdown leading up to a dramatic highway chase that ended in a fiery head-on crash that killed him, a newspaper reported.

New York State Police have been trying to unravel what prompted Strzelczyk, 36, of McCandless, to lead troopers on a 40-mile chase on the New York State Thruway after fleeing a hit-and-run accident on Sept. 30.

Strzelczyk eventually swerved across a median into the west-bound lanes after an eastbound trucker cut him off, and then traveled for miles in the wrong direction before colliding with a tanker truck near Herkimer, N.Y., while driving nearly 90 mph, police said.

Strzelczyk, thrown from his truck as both vehicles burst into flames, died at the scene.

Interviews with people Strzelczyk reportedly encountered before the chase indicate the former Steeler likely had a mental breakdown, New York State Police investigator James Hunt told the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review for a story published Saturday.

"At the time it appears — and not being a psychiatrist — from witness accounts, that Justin Strzelczyk suffered some sort of emotional breakdown," said Hunt, who is in charge of the case.

"Whether it was drug- or alcohol-induced or something psychologically related to a pre-existing illness, or both, I don't know. All of a sudden he snapped."

Troopers believe alcohol may have played a role in Strzelczyk's death, but won't know until toxicology tests are completed by the state police crime lab in Albany, which could take weeks.

Hunt said a woman told investigators that she talked with Strzelczyk at a gas station near Rochester, N.Y., on the morning of the crash. "He spoke to her and asked her questions about did she believe in God and did she have children, and he told her it was very important that she get her children to the higher ground," Hunt said.

Two hours before his death, Strzelczyk tried to give his money to another customer at the gas station, but the customer refused, Hunt said. He did pay for the person's fuel, Hunt said.

"I don't want to say he was delusional, but he had made repeated references to God and demons and other things," Hunt said. "Some of his friends and family had been trying to get him help. Strzelczyk was an offensive lineman with the Steelers for nearly a decade until the team released him in February 2000.



Ricky Williams says he'd play only one more season

NEW YORK — Former Miami Dolphins running back Ricky Williams says he misses football but would only play one more season if he returns to the NFL.

In an interview that will appear in Esquire early next month, Williams also said he regrets not talking with Miami coach Dave Wannstedt before he abruptly retired before the season.

"I should have been man enough to have a conversation with Dave before all this happened," Williams said. "But I didn't. I got scared, and I just told him I was retiring. It just came out."

Earlier this week, Williams' agent, Leigh Steinberg, said his client had asked the NFL how soon he could return to play. The Dolphins are 0-4 without the 2002 rushing champion.

Williams has acknowledged repeated violations of the NFL drug program. The Dolphins say their understanding is he must serve a suspension for the rest of the season if he tries to return. The NFL has declined to comment.

By returning to the Dolphins, Williams could avoid paying \$8.6 million for breach of contract.

Williams has also acknowledged having an intimate relationship with a woman who filed a partnership suit against him, according to court papers.

He faces a court hearing in the suit Dec. 15.

Cherie Nicole Clark, formerly of Miami Beach and now a resident of Honolulu, filed papers in August in Broward Circuit Court asking Williams to pay child support for her 14-month-old son. Clark, 23, claims that Williams is the boy's father.

In a response Sept. 10, Williams denied having sex with Clark and denied he was the father. However, in papers filed Sept. 22, Williams said he and Clark had "an intimate relationship during the time that the minor child in these proceedings was conceived."

Vanderjagt questionable, Colts kicker

INDIANAPOLIS — With kicker Mike Vanderjagt questionable because of a hamstring injury, the Indianapolis Colts signed former Giants kicker Matt Bryant on Friday.

Vanderjagt, who injured his right hamstring Sunday against Jacksonville, did not kick Friday, but indicated that he still hopes to play Sunday against Oakland. He plans to kick on Saturday to test his leg.

"We're leaning toward taking the safe route, the conservative route, and kicking Matt," coach Tony Dungy said Friday. "But we'll see what happens. We've still got two days to make that decision."



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# Packers, Titans out to shake off troubles

BY ARNIE STAPLETON

The Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Hunting buddies in the offseason, Brett Favre and Steve McNair have been looking forward to Monday night's matchup between the Green Bay Packers and Tennessee Titans since the schedule came out.

What the Mississippi neighbors who live five minutes apart figured would be a marquee matchup between two of the league's perennial powers, however, pits two of the NFL's biggest first-month flops.

Both teams are a dispirited 1-3 and scrambling to overcome ineffectiveness and injuries.

A bruised sternum landed McNair in the hospital last month and kept him out of last week's loss at San Diego, but he's expected to play at Lambeau Field.

So is Favre, who is recovering from a mild concussion but is grieving the death of his 24-year-old brother-in-law, who was killed last week when he flipped his all-terrain vehicle on the quarterback's property in Sumrall, Miss.

"It's been a tough week for him," Packers offensive coordinator Tom Rossley said. "Any time you see your leader coming off of a head injury and then all of a sudden he's got this really heaviness



**Green Bay Packers quarterback Brett Favre is flanked by receiver Donald Driver, left, and quarterback Craig Nall during their 14-17 loss to the Giants' last week. The team is looking to get out of a 1-3 hole.**

on his heart, it's tough to see him like that. But he'll rise, somehow. We know he will."

A lot less certain is whether either team can recover from its early-season follies. Both teams have lost three in a row and realize a 1-4 record could doom them to also-ran status while the season is still young.

"Well, it's not deep enough that we can't climb out of it — but it's pretty close," Favre said. "No one, including myself, thought we would be 1-3. You never know what to expect any given year, but our expectations were a lot

higher. And our character obviously will be tested."

The Packers haven't been 1-4 since Lindy Infante's last team went 4-12 in 1991, Green Bay's last losing season. So nobody knows how they would respond to that big of a hole.

The Titans recovered from a 1-4 record two years ago to go 11-5 and reach the AFC championship game.

Still, neither team is accustomed to this kind of futility.

Since 1997, when the Houston Oilers relocated to Nashville and were renamed the Titans, Tennessee has gone 73-43. The only



team with a better mark during that span is Green Bay, (76-40).

Injuries are the primary reason for the tumble of both teams.

The Packers have huge holes in both of their lines: 350-pound nose tackle Grady Jackson on defense and Pro Bowl center Mike Flanagan on offense. Jackson is expected back from his knee injury in two weeks, which should be a huge help to a defense that's been gashed through the air and on the ground.

But the savvy, athletic Flanagan, who was the best player on what many considered the best offensive line in football, had season-ending knee surgery last week.

His replacement, Grey Ruegamer, had a distressing debut, allowing New York Giants defensive tackle William Joseph to put the hit on Favre that knocked him out of the game for the second straight week.

The Packers are banged up across their defense, and they traded their best cover cornerback, Mike McKenzie, to New Orleans last week. With top draft pick Ahmad Carroll bothered by a lingering groin injury, the Packers are stuck with Michael Hawthorne at left cornerback opposite Al Harris.

The Titans aren't in much better shape. They are missing three injured linebackers, including Rocky Calmus (back) in the middle, as well as strong safety Lance Schulters.

McNair isn't as mobile as usual, either, with his surgically repaired left ankle bothering him.

Favre, who re-entered the game last week without medical clearance three plays after his concussion and threw a touchdown pass, also has a soft-ball-side bruise on his left leg and a loose left shoulder.

Titans punter Craig Hentrich, who played in Green Bay from 1994-98, said neither Favre nor McNair would want to watch the other from the sideline without the chance to respond.

"They are both hard-nosed guys who would play through almost anything just to help their teams win," Hentrich said. "They have winning attitudes that make them great and don't take losing easily, which is why they do everything they can to win a football game."

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 Minnesota at New Orleans  
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**Monday, Oct. 18**  
**FAIR WEST**  
 Tampa Bay at Seattle

## Auto racing

**Mr. Goodcents 300**  
**NASCAR Busch Series**  
**Saturday**  
**Kansas Speedway**  
**Kansas City, Kan.**  
**Length: 1.5 miles**  
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## College football

**Friday's scores**  
**FAIR WEST**  
 UNLV 34, BYU 20

## Pro basketball

**NBA preseason**  
**Sunday's games**  
 Miami at Houston  
 Golden State at Sacramento  
 Washington vs. Indiana at Marquette, Ind.

**Tuesday's games**  
 Chicago vs. Boston at Manchester, N.H.  
 Memphis at Indiana at Marquette, Ind.  
 Washington vs. Philadelphia at Durham, N.C.

**Seattle vs. L.A. Lakers at Anaheim, Calif.**

**WNBA playoffs**  
**Finals (Best-of-three)**  
**Seattle vs. Connecticut**  
**Friday Oct. 8**  
 Connecticut 66, Seattle 64, Connecticut leads series 1-0

**Sunday, Oct. 10**  
**Connecticut at Seattle**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 12**  
 Connecticut at Seattle, if necessary

**Pro soccer**  
**Major League Soccer**  
**Eastern Conference**  
**W L T Pts GF GA**  
**y-Columbus** 12 11 47 38 30  
**x-MetroStars** 11 11 6 39 44 45  
**D.C. United** 9 10 9 36 40  
**Chicago** 7 12 9 35 42  
**New England** 7 12 9 30 41

**Western Conference**  
**x-Kansas City** 9 9 6 45 37 30  
**x-Los Angeles** 10 8 10 40 40  
**x-Colorado** 10 9 10 40 31  
**San Jose** 10 9 10 40 31  
**Dallas** 10 9 10 40 31

**NOTE:** Three points for victory, one point for tie.

**Wednesday's game**  
 Columbus at Chicago 9

**Saturday's games**  
 Columbus at MetroStars  
 New England at D.C. United  
 Dallas at Los Angeles  
 Kansas City at San Jose

**Sunday, Oct. 12**  
 Chicago at New England  
 San Jose at Dallas  
 Los Angeles at Kansas City  
 MetroStars at Colorado

**Monday, Oct. 13**  
 MetroStars at D.C. United  
 End of Regular Season

**Tennis**  
**Japan Open**  
**Saturday**  
**At Ariake Coliseum**  
**Purse: Men, \$50,000 (M); Gold; Women, \$170,000 (M); Silver, \$100,000 (M); Surface: Hard-Outdoor**

**Singles**  
**Men**  
 Aris Nook (S), Czech Republic, def. Lleyton Hewitt (A), Australia, 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.  
 Taylor Dent (T), United States, def. Bohdan Ulihrach, Czech Republic, 4-6, 6-4, 6-1.

**Women**  
**Final**  
 Maria Sharapova (I), Russia, def. Mashona Washington, United States, 6-0, 6-1.

## Porsche Grand Prix

**Saturday**  
**At Tempelshofen Hirschfeld**  
**Hirschfeld, Germany**  
**Purse: \$450,000 (Tier I)**  
**Surface: Hard-Outdoor**

**Amelie Mauresmo** (I), France, def. Svetlana Kuznetsov (A), Russia, 7-6 (5), 6-4.  
**Lindsay Davenport** (T), United States, def. Venus Williams (A), Australia, 6-3, 6-4.

**Lyon Open**  
**Saturday**  
**At Palais des Sports de Lyon**  
**Lyon, France**  
**Purse: \$582,000 (Tier I)**  
**Surface: Carpet-Indoor**

**Quarterfinals**  
 Xavier Malisse (S), Belgium, def. Mikhail Youzhny (A), Russia, 6-4, 6-2.  
 Robin Soderling (S), def. Joachim Johansson (A), Sweden, 6-3, 6-4.

**Semi-finals**  
 Soderling (S), Spain, def. Jonas Bjorkman (A), Sweden, 6-3, 6-1.  
 Soderling (S), Spain, def. Jonas Bjorkman (A), Sweden, 6-3, 6-1.

**Final**  
 Soderling (S), Spain, def. Jonas Bjorkman (A), Sweden, 6-3, 6-1.

**Golf**  
**Dunhill Links**  
**Saturday**  
**At A.S. and Anderson Golf Course**  
**Friday Oct. 7**  
**At K-Cornwall Golf Club**  
**Friday Oct. 7**  
**Purse: \$4.8 million**

**Finals**  
 Luke Donald (S), Scotland, 66-67-67-139C.  
 Ian Poulter (S), England, 66-67-67-139C.  
 Stephen Gallacher (S), Scotland, 66-67-67-139C.

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# Offseason tests Melo's maturity

## Nuggets Anthony says miserable Olympics helped changed his game

BY JOHN MARSHALL

The Associated Press

DENVER — A disarming smile and skill with a basketball have always helped Carmelo Anthony smooth out the rough spots in his life. Not this summer.

With a bad experience at the Olympics and a scuffle at a bar, the game and character of the 20-year-old forward were called into question and that smile all but disappeared.

After a season in which the Denver Nuggets followed Anthony into the playoffs for the first time in nearly a decade, building on that success will hinge in large part on how their budding star responds to a difficult offseason.

"Can't nobody have a great career without adversity," Anthony said. "Everybody has adversity. But it was good that I went through it at the beginning of my career instead of the middle."

Adversity is something Anthony hasn't seen much of on the basketball court.

He was a Parade All-American as a high school senior at Oak Hill Academy in Virginia and played in the McDonald's All-Star game. Anthony went on to lead Syracuse to a national championship as a freshman in 2003, then was selected by the Nuggets with the third overall pick.

He entered the league with plenty of hype and lived up to it, joining Cleveland's LeBron James to give the NBA arguably its best rookie duo since Larry Bird and Magic Johnson in 1979.

Anthony's charismatic smile seemed to be everywhere, from

promoting the league to selling video games. He was a star on the court, leading the Nuggets to the playoffs for the first time since 1995 and packing fans into the Pepsi Center. He led all rookies in scoring in 2003-04 but finished second to James in Rookie of the Year voting.

Filled with confidence, Anthony looked forward to representing his country in the Olympics. It didn't turn out the way he had hoped.

Anthony started things off by saying he wasn't interested in the Olympics if he was just going to sit on the bench. He later said he would accept an invitation regardless of playing time.

Then he guaranteed the United States would win gold in Athens — a brass prediction that was far from golden.

The Americans ended up with bronze and Anthony didn't have much of a part in getting it. He was called "selfish" by U.S. coach Larry Brown and spent much of the tournament watching his teammates struggle and holed up in his room.

Anthony didn't handle the situation well, complaining about playing time through the media and pointing on the bench during the game — a contrast to his normally easygoing "Melo" nature.

"The fact that he had an experience to play for a Hall of Fame coach and a coach of the year in (Greg) Popovich, his basketball IQ got higher and I think he learned a lot about himself," Nuggets coach Jeff Bzdelick said. "Any time those kinds of things happen, it's a positive for everyone involved."



Denver Nuggets forward Carmelo Anthony, right, collides with rookie Melvin Sanders, left, during a scrimmage on Tuesday.

It wasn't the only problem he had this summer.

Attending a private party for rapper Swizz Beatz last month, Anthony was involved in a scuffle at a New York bar when someone spit a drink in the face of his girlfriend, MTV host La La Vasquez. Anthony said the incident was blown out of proportion, but it has to at least give the Nuggets pause for concern about the maturity of their star player. After all, it wasn't too long ago that he refused to go back into a game after teammates complained about his shot selection.

"You always try to take a negative into a positive," Nuggets general manager Kiki Vandeweghe said. "He's a very mature young man and I think he's going to be fine."

Of course, the whole thing could work out in the Nuggets' favor.

Denver brought back most of the players from last year's play-off team and signed rugged All-Star forward Kenyon Martin. Adding a mature and inspired Anthony could make the Nuggets one of the best teams in the Western Conference, if not the league.

Then again, it all depends how Anthony bounces back from his sullen summer.

"I'm a new man right now," Anthony said. "I grew up a lot from the end of August until now, so you all are going to see a different Carmelo Anthony."

As for his teammates and coaches, no one seems worried about Anthony. If anything, most of them believe his troubles will do nothing but help.

"First adversity he had in his young career after everything went smooth for him in Denver as a rookie," Nuggets center Marcus Camby said. "It's good for him to have a couple bumps in the road."

# Brant accuser: 'Mom, I was raped'

BY JON SANCHEZ

The Associated Press

EAGLE, Colo. — Kobe Bryant's accuser phoned her mother the day after the incident, begging her to come home from work. Later, the daughter revealed: "Mom, I was raped last night," according to unsealed documents.

The conversation, recounted by an investigator for Eagle County prosecutors, was released Friday. It is included in 625 pages of documents and case files being disclosed publicly. The criminal case against Bryant, 26, was dropped last month at the accuser's request.

"I could tell something was wrong. She kind of mumbled things and the way she walked in, her tone of voice," the mother said in a conversation with an unidentified interviewer in August 2003, little more than a month after the alleged attack at a Vail-area resort where Bryant was a guest and the woman was a front-desk employee.

"She didn't want to tell me anything at that time," the mother said. "I knew she would tell me when she was ready."

She recalled how her daughter, then 19, called her July 1, 2003.

"Mom, you need to come home. I need to talk to you," she said, according to the interview transcript from prosecution investigator Gerry Sandberg. When she arrived, she said her daughter had been in bed crying and asked the teen what was wrong.

"Mom, I was raped last night," her daughter said, then told her mother it was Bryant.

The Los Angeles Lakers star has said the sex was consensual.

Prosecutors dropped the felony sexual assault charge when the woman said he did not want to participate in a trial after a series of legal rulings against her and courthouse gaffes revealed her name on a state Web site.

In a Sept. 12, 2003, interview with Boulder County district attorney's investigator Tom Bennett, the woman said she didn't want to report the alleged attack.

Also included in the documents was a report from an investigator with the New Mexico attorney general's office, who helped with the case. She had talked with teenagers in Calgary, Alberta, where the alleged victim traveled several months after the alleged attack.

One of the teenagers, Kylie Robinson, said she felt the case was not behaving like a rape victim.

"Kylie did not feel that (redacted) was a victim of a sexual assault because she seemed to make a joke of it," the comments, about money she was going to get from the trial, the investigator wrote.

Last month, Bryant's attorneys abruptly dropped a bid to permanently seal evidence in the case and claimed the woman had retracted portions of her previous statements to investigators.

# Rookie Whalen lifts Sun to lead in WNBA Finals

BY DONNA TOMMELLEO

The Associated Press

UNCAVILLE, Conn. — The Connecticut Sun spent the first month of the WNBA season just getting to know each other. With five rookies and two offseason acquisitions, coach Mike Thibault had a team full of fresh faces.

The team had found some chemistry now and is starting to click.

Rookie guard Lindsay Whalen set a team playoff mark with nine assists and had 11 points, two steals and two blocked shots to lead the Sun to a 68-64 victory Friday night over Seattle Storm in the opening game of the WNBA Finals.

"I think our team has felt all year that they had a chance to do this," Thibault said. "And inside our locker room that's all that counts." Whalen helped shut down Storm star Sue Bird, who finished with six turnovers and had 12 points on 4-for-11 shooting.

"I think it took us time to get and time to get to know ourselves on the court as well as off," Whalen said. "We know we're a good team, as long as we play the right way and share the ball we should be in position."

Game 2 is at Seattle on Sunday, and Game 3, if necessary, will also be there Tuesday.

## Leslie wins 2nd MVP

UNCAVILLE, Conn. — Lisa Leslie was selected the WNBA's Most Valuable Player for the second time in her career.

The Los Angeles Sparks center, the league's MVP in 2001, received 425 points and 33 of a possible 48 first-place votes from a national media panel Friday. Seattle's Lauren Jackson, last season's MVP, was second with 351 points.

Leslie led the league in rebounds (9.9) and blocked shots (2.88) and finished third in scoring (17.6).

The Sparks finished with a league-best 25-9 regular-season record, but were eliminated from the playoffs by Sacramento in the first round.

— The Associated Press

Many of the 9,341 fans in the sellout crowd had watched Bird star at UConn, where she won two NCAA titles. She drew a deafening roar during introductions, but after the opening tip, the Sun took her out of her comfort zone.

"They forced us to do things that we were not necessarily wanting to do or used to doing," Bird said. "More than anything I thought their transition killed us."

Whalen, who led Minnesota to its first Final Four appearance last season, kept the Sun's transition game in high gear. She also set the tone for the solid defense which kept Lauren Jackson, the league's leading scorer, in check for most of the night.

The Sun had a Finals-record 15 steals, blocked six shots and had just enough of a lead to hold off Seattle's late rally from a 16-point deficit.

The Sun took advantage of their only home game in the best-of-three game series, drawing a raucous sellout crowd that included Connecticut Gov. M. Jodi Roll.

Katie Douglas led Connecticut with 18 points on 6-for-11 shooting and made two free throws with 16 seconds left.

"This is such a huge game for our franchise and our team," Douglas said. "We're on a journey to do something special."

Betty Lennox had 17 points for Seattle, and Jackson finished with 16 — six in the closing minutes.



# Texas run over again in Red River Shootout

Peterson rushes for 225 yards in 12-0 win, Oklahoma's fifth straight in the long series

By JAIME ARON  
The Associated Press

DALLAS — The Oklahoma Sooners found a new way to devastate the Texas Longhorns.

Slowly. Painfully. And with a freshman plucked from East Texas doing most of the damage.

In just his fifth college game, Adrian Peterson ran for 225 yards and made many big plays when No. 2 Oklahoma needed it most, helping the Sooners grind out a 12-0 victory over No. 5 Texas and stretch their winning streak in the storied rivalry to five. It's Oklahoma's longest streak in the series since also winning five straight from 1971-75.

The Longhorns were in it until the end, but still suffered some stinging embarrassment — getting shut out for the first time since November 1980, a run of 281 games that was the longest in the country.

As the final seconds ticked off, crimson-clad fans chanted "Five in a row! Five in a row!" and flashed their hands open to show off five fingers. Then came what's become the typical postgame scene, an Oklahoma player playing an oversized school flag at midfield while the Sooner Schooner takes a victory lap.

Peterson was in the middle of it all, even getting passed by center Vince Carter running with the flag. Surrounded by television cameras and grateful teammates, Peterson probably never felt better about his decision to spurn his lifelong support of the Longhorns and join the Sooners.

"I was looking forward to this game," Peterson said. "It was a really good experience for me."

The Sooners (5-0, 2-0 Big 12) won two of the previous four meetings easily, scoring into the 60s both times. In the other two, the seniors made key plays in the fourth quarter to win by 11.

This time — before 79,587, the biggest in the series' 99-game history — it was the youngster from Palestine who made the difference.

Peterson showed he was going to be a force from his second carry, a 44-yard burst.

The Longhorns failed to capitalize momentum the defense began building by harassing Jason White into two interceptions — starting with the game-opening drive — and a fumble.

Texas was one play from going ahead until Jones' touchdown, yet couldn't make any big plays. Their longest pass at that point was for 17 yards and the longest run went 22. And this was against an Oklahoma defense that lost three starters to the NFL and another was recently kicked off the team.

"I'm really proud of the effort my guys gave and they made some plays — they just didn't make enough inside the 30," Brown said.

Texas senior Cedric Benson ran for 92 yards on 23 carries, nowhere near his nation-leading 186.5. Vince Young wasn't effective throwing (eight of 23 for 86 yards) or running (16 times for 54 yards).

Young also was sacked three times,



Oklahoma running back Adrian Peterson (28) eludes Texas defensive end Brian Robison (39) during Saturday's game in Dallas. Peterson ran for 225 yards on 31 carries to help the Sooners outgain Texas 395-261.

twice kicking Texas out of field-goal range, and lost two fumbles. Benson lost one, too.

Add these four scoreless quarters to a second-half shutout last year and the Longhorns have gone 93 minutes and 12 seconds without scoring against the Sooners.

"They just had a better game plan than we did and made plays at the right mo-

ments," Texas linebacker Derrick Johnson said.

The worst news for the Longhorns is that Peterson could be back for a few more seasons.

Peterson personally outgained all four other teams the Longhorns have played this season and became the first Oklahoma player to run for more than 100 yards in each of his first five games.

# Michigan edges Minnesota

By LARRY LAGE  
The Associated Press

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — After making freshman mistakes, Chad Henne came through for Michigan like a savvy senior.

Tyler Ecker caught a short pass from Henne over the middle, eluded two tackles and lumbered down the sideline for a 31-yard touchdown with 1:57 left to give the 14th-ranked Wolverines a 27-24 victory over No. 13 Minnesota at Saturday.

"Everybody sees you as a freshman, but you need to step up and show them you're really not," Henne said.

Henne was 33 of 49 for 328 yards — all records for a freshman at Michigan — with two TDs and two interceptions, both forced passes in the third quarter.

"He was able to perform at the level he is, I think it's incredible," Michigan coach Lloyd Carr said.

Minnesota scored 17 straight points to take a 24-17 lead early in the fourth quarter.

Garrett Rivas' 29-yard field goal with 9:36 left tied the deficit to 24-20.

The Wolverines then forced the Gophers to punt on their next two

possession to set up the winning drive.

Henne directed a an 87-yard drive that started with 3:04 to play.

After three passes for first downs, he found Ecker — his third option — over the middle on a 5-yard pass and the tight end ran another 26 yards by breaking away from Brandon Owens and getting past Mike Wojciechowski for his first career TD.

"We knew it was going to come down to a last drive," Ecker said. "We were preparing all week for something like this to happen."

It was the second straight year Michigan beat Minnesota with a dramatic comeback.

Last year in Minneapolis, Minnesota had a 21-point lead in the fourth quarter before losing 38-35.

"Anybody that saw those two games saw two of the best football games I've ever seen," Carr said. "We were fortunate to win both."

The defending Big Ten champion Wolverines (5-1, 3-0) have not lost to the Gophers since 1986.

Michigan's run for 160 yards — a record for a Michigan freshman — and a score on 35 carries and had six receptions for 53 yards.

Braylon Edwards caught 10 passes for 98 yards and a TD. And after the final seconds went off the clock, he did a back flip.

If Minnesota (5-1, 2-1) won, it would've had a great opportunity to win its first conference championship since 1967 because it doesn't play Purdue or Ohio State this season.

"Hey, I hurt right now," Gophers coach Glen Mason said. "I hurt inside."

Michigan entered the game No. 1 in the nation against the run and Minnesota was the third-ranked rushing team.

Minnesota's Laurence Maroney ran for 145 yards — extending his school-record streak with 100 yards to seven games — including an 80-yard TD. Marion Barber was held to 40 yards on 13 carries and a TD.

Bryan Cupito was eight of 22 for 156 yards and a TD. Cupito's 26-yard pass to Jared Ellerson in the third quarter put Minnesota ahead 21-17 for its first lead.

Henne threw his interceptions at midfield and in Minnesota's end zone, but Michigan's defense forced the Gophers to punt after three plays each time.



Michigan tight end Tyler Ecker celebrates the winning touchdown, a 31-yard pass from quarterback Chad Henne with just under 2 minutes left in the Wolverines' 27-24 victory on Saturday.

The Wolverines were stingy again after their next mistake — Leon Hall's fumble on a punt return inside Michigan's 10 — but Minnesota didn't need to gain a yard to take a 24-17 lead.

"We knew we'd be hanging on for our life and that's what we were doing," Mason said. "But we got the turnovers and some field position and we squandered it."

Both teams were ranked for a game in Ann Arbor for the first time since 1949.

# Mississippi rallies past S. Carolina

The Associated Press

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Ethan Platt found Bill Flowers in the corner of the end zone for a 29-yard touchdown pass with 1:05 left to give Mississippi a 31-28 victory over No. 25 South Carolina on Saturday.

Flowers sneaked behind the Gamecocks' defense on fourth and 10 and made a tough catch. Platt was 18 of 27 for 214 yards. Ole Miss coach David Cutcliffe used his other two quarterbacks mostly to run.

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# Victory at last for Army

## Win over Cincinnati ends nation's longest skid

BY MARK JOHNSON  
The Associated Press

WEST POINT, N.Y. — Army coach Bobby Ross breathed a big sigh of relief.

His Black Knights snapped the nation's longest losing streak at 19 games Saturday, with Tielor Robinson scoring five touchdowns and Carlton Jones running for 180 yards in a 48-29 victory over Cincinnati.

"You can't imagine how the pressure starts to mount with your football team when you have a losing streak," said Ross, who came out of retirement to take over the struggling program. "When you read about, hear about the longest losing streak in the country, it's difficult to deal with."

"It's a great win for us, a monkey off our back."

Robinson scored his fifth touchdown on a 93-yard pass from Zach Dahman with 11:32 left to secure the win for Army (1-4, 1-2 Conference USA). Robinson ran for 82 yards as Army amassed 294 yards on the ground, and had 111 yards receiving.

Thousands of West Point cadets swarmed the field and tore

down the goal posts in celebration. Ross wiped tears from his eyes as the academy's alma mater was played.

Gino Guidugli went 25-for-39 for 350 yards and four touchdowns to lead the Bearcats (2-4, 1-2). Hannibal Thomas caught seven passes for 138 yards and one TD.

Army's last victory came on Nov. 16, 2002, against Tulane, and its last home win was on Oct. 27, 2001, also against Tulane.

Cincinnati lost four fumbles, one of which was recovered for an Army TD and another that cost the Bearcats a key scoring chance in the third quarter.

"We have to go back to square one, 1-0," Cincinnati coach Mark Dantonio said. "We have to re-examine who we are as people and how hard we play, how much we know, in terms of what to do. ... We've got to regroup."

Guidugli's 5-yard TD pass to Brent Celek capped Cincinnati's opening drive and gave the Bearcats a 7-0 lead.

But Army responded with four straight touchdowns. Robinson scored on runs of 1 and 2 yards and caught a 2-yard TD pass from Dahman to give Army a

19-7 lead. Dahman, starting his second game of the season, completed 13 of 21 passes for 270 yards and two TDs.

Cincinnati didn't manage one sack.

"Offensively we were in sync all day," Ross said. "We challenged our offensive line and they really responded."

Jones scored on a 4-yard run to make it 26-7 with 13:27 left in the half.

Guidugli's 24-yard TD pass to Thomas and 7-yard strike to Doug Jones cut the Army lead to 26-21.

Robinson scored his fourth TD on a 12-yard run with 3:08 left in the half.

But Guidugli answered that with his second TD pass to Celek. Cincinnati's successful 2-point conversion cut Army's lead to 32-29 at halftime.

After Austin Miller kicked a 41-yard field goal, Army took a 41-29 lead when Doug Meyer forced a fumble that was recovered in the end zone by Jonathan Lewis.

"This is a great accomplishment," Lewis said. "We played like we knew we could. We knew all along what we were capable of."



Army's Tielor Robinson is brought down by Cincinnati's Tyjuan Hagler (42) and Dominic Ross (49) on the Cincinnati 2-yard line after a 28-yard run in the second quarter at West Point, N.Y., on Saturday. Army beat Cincinnati 48-29 to halt a 19-game losing streak.

# Grant scores 2 TDs in return to Notre Dame backfield

The Associated Press

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Ryan Grant ran for two touchdowns, the second following a muffed punt attempt by Stanford, to help Notre Dame beat the Cardinal 21-15 on Saturday.

Grant, who missed the past two games because of an injured left hamstring, scored on runs of 1 and 3 yards, and Brady Quinn scored from 2 yards out on a quarterback sneak as the Irish (4-2) scored 20 points in the second half.

The Cardinal (3-3) couldn't finish their drives, settling for three field goals by Michael Sgroi, including two on their first two possessions when they drove inside the Notre Dame 10. Trent Edwards threw a desperation attempt from 39 yards out on the last play of the game, but the Irish knocked it down in the end zone.

Notre Dame became just the second Division I-A team to win 800 games. Michigan has 838 victories, following its win over Minnesota.

Quinn was 11-for-24 passing for 173 yards. Edwards was 17-for-38 passing for 267 yards for the Cardinal.

**Virginia Tech 17, Wake Forest 10:** Mo'Nique Brown scored the winning touchdown to lead Virginia Tech to a victory in its first Atlantic Coast Conference road game.

Brayon Randall set up the go-ahead score for Virginia Tech (4-2, 2-1 ACC). After being stifled for most of the game, the quarterback broke free on consecutive

## College roundup

12-yard runs, then scrambled for another 21 to put theokies on the 11.

Imoh scored two plays later on a 7-yard run to put Virginia Tech on top with 2:10 to play. Imoh finished with 100 yards on 29 carries. He scored on his final run of the game.

**Michigan St. 38, Illinois 25:** At East Lansing, Mich., Drew Stanton threw three touchdowns passes and caught another to lead Michigan State to a victory at home.

The Spartans (3-3, 2-1 Big Ten) have beaten the Illini (2-4, 0-3) eight straight times. Illinois hasn't won in the series since 1992, and hasn't won at Spartan Stadium since 1989.

Pierre Thomas had 188 yards and two touchdowns on 21 carries for Illinois, but it wasn't enough to prevent his team's 11th consecutive Big Ten loss.

**Alabama 45, Kentucky 17:** At Lexington, Ky., Alabama scored touchdowns on four straight second-half possessions to stave off a potential Kentucky rally and snap a two-game losing streak.

The Crimson Tide (4-2, 2-2 Southeastern Conference) ran the ball on 63 of their 74 offensive plays, finishing with 304 yards on the ground.

Ray Hudson had 99 yards and a touchdown on 18 carries before leaving the game in the third quarter with an apparent knee injury.

Alabama is 33-2-1 against Kentucky (1-4, 0-4), which managed just 177 yards of offense.

**Washington 21, San Jose St. 6:** Kenny James ran for a career-high 189 yards, getting 179 yards on four touchdowns in the second half of Washington's first victory of the season.

Reserve quarterback Casey Paus led two second-half scoring drives and Washington's defense held the Spartans (2-3) in check one week after their 70-63 victory over Rice in the highest-scoring regulation game in NCAA history.

Visiting San Jose State dropped to 0-9 against the Huskies (1-4), who allowed only 111 yards rushing and 22 yards passing.

**Marshall 16, Ohio 13:** Marshall's Ian O'Connor made three field goals, out-kicking Brooks Rossman, who missed a 32-yarder with 25 seconds left.

Rob Stover recovered quarterback Stan Hill's fumble with 2:02 left, giving host Ohio (3-2, 0-2 Mid-American Conference) the ball on the Marshall 17. Three plays later Rossman missed his first attempt of the day.

O'Connor was 3-for-3, including a 52-yarder in the first quarter.

Marshall had eight sacks, led by Jonathan Goddard, who had 2½. He also blocked a punt and returned an interception for a touchdown.

**East Carolina 27, Tulane 25:** In Greenville, N.C., East Carolina well kicked a 30-yard field goal with 12 seconds left to end East Carolina's nine-game home losing streak.

Chris Johnson ran for 158 yards and two first-half touchdowns for the Pirates (1-4, 1-2 Conference USA), who earned their first win at Dowdy-Picklen Stadium in nearly two years.

Lester Ricard threw two touchdown passes in the fourth quarter to lead the Green Wave (1-3, 0-2).

**Florida Atlantic 20, Texas St. 13:** Brittney Tellis and Aaron Sanchez each scored touchdowns for Florida Atlantic.

Sanchez scored on a 1-yard run three minutes into the game, then Florida Atlantic (4-0) went up 20-7 on Tellis' 31-yard TD catch midway through the second quarter.



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# Twins in trouble as Bronx Yankees roll

## N.Y. looks strong in taking 2-1 series lead vs. Minnesota

BY DAVE CAMPBELL  
The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The New York Yankees shrugged off another Game 1 defeat. Kevin Brown did the same with his back pain and that embarrassing broken hand.

Showing remarkable postseason poise, the Yankees are on the brink of another first-round victory over the Minnesota Twins.

Backed by Derek Jeter's three RBIs and a relentless offense, Brown threw six strong innings to lead the Yankees past the frustrated Twins 8-4 on Friday night for a 2-1 lead in the best-of-five AL playoff series.

Brown showed New York can count on him as another reliable starting pitcher this postseason — something desperately needed in one of the Yankees' weakest rotations in years. Against 23 batters, Brown threw 22 balls and didn't walk anyone. He gave up eight hits.

"He didn't need to prove anything to me," said outfielder Gary Sheffield, also Brown's teammate with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Hoping to save Minnesota's season, ace

Johan Santana will start on three days' rest Saturday against Javier Vazquez. The Yankees, who rallied in the 12th inning to win Game 2 Wednesday after Torii Hunter's homer put them on the ropes, can eliminate the Twins in four games for the second straight year.

The sound from Minnesota's clubhouse — loud music and confident comments — doesn't suggest a quick end.

"We've been in worse situations," said Jacques Jones, whose first-inning homer accounted for the Twins' only run until the ninth, "Nobody's down."

Jeter went 3-for-5 and Hideki Matsui also homered for New York — just one win away from a rematch with rival Boston in the AL championship series. The Red Sox completed a three-game sweep of Anaheim on Friday.

"I don't care about Boston right now," Jeter said. "We've still got Minnesota to worry about."

If the Twins win Saturday, Game 5 is back in the Bronx on Sunday.

"We're packing our suitcases," said Minnesota manager Ron Gardenhire, who will send Brad Radtke to pitch against Mike

Mussina in the finale, if necessary.

Bernie Williams extended a major league record by hitting his 20th postseason homer, a two-run shot off Carlos Silva that put the Yankees up 5-1 in the sixth.

That was plenty for Brown, whose first season in New York has been tainted by his ailing back and that infamous tantrum during a loss to Baltimore on Sept. 3 in which he broke his clubhouse wall by punching a non-hitting thrower.

The Yankees were angry about his outburst, but he cleared the air by apologizing a few days later.

"I think most of the guys understood where the frustration was coming from," Brown said, "and that it was not something that I did because I didn't care about the team. Quite the opposite."

On offense, the Yankees showed they can do more than go deep — hitting five straight two-out singles to take a 3-1 lead in the second and ninth of Friday's 8-4 victory. "A huge shift of relief, obviously, on my part," Brown said.

Silva failed to get an out in the sixth, allowing 10 hits and six runs. But the Twins will put Santana, their Cy Young candidate, up against Vazquez, New York's struggling right-hander, in Game 4. "I'll take my chances with these guys,"



New York Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter, left, leaps to avoid the Minnesota Twins' Shannon Stewart as he bunts a double play Friday in Game 3 of the AL Division Series.

Hunter said.

Minnesota scored three times in the ninth, but Mariano Rivera got three straight outs after entering with the bases loaded.

# In strange twist, Boston fans rooting for hated rivals

BY JOHN HARPER  
New York Daily News

BOSTON — If the Red Sox had won this kind of game against the Yankees, a game it seemed they'd blown as only they can, even the most fatalistic of fans would be insisting that once and for all, The Curse is over.

As it was, Friday's wild 8-6 victory over the Angels seemed to further embolden a Red Sox Nation that wants to believe this is the year.

After all, only minutes after David Ortiz had hit his 10th in-

ning, game-winning home run, delirious fans spilling out into the crowded corridors of Fenway Park quickly turned their attention to their obsession with their hated rivals, chanting the most famous chant in New England: "Yankees [stink], Yankees [stink]," they sang in unison amid individual cries of, "Bring 'em on. We want the Yankees."

Finally winning a World Series, it seems, won't be enough for the people who have waited so long for a championship unless they knock off the Yankees along the way.

## Commentary

Even before the Sox had finished off the Angels, it seemed all of New England had turned its eyes toward the Yankees, actually rooting for them for a change to set up the ALCS rematch.

"GO YANKS," blared the front-page headline of the Boston Herald, with this rather provocative kicker: "We Want To Kick Your Butts On Our Way To The Series."

In the more conservative newspaper in town, The Boston Globe, lead columnist Dan Shaughnessy, the unofficial keeper of the Curse of the Bambino, urged Sox fans to forget their fears and root for the Yankees to beat the Twins because "the march to the World Series just won't be as much fun without conquering the Empire on enemy soil."

There's an old saying that could apply here — something about being careful when you win for

But even the players are on board with this theme. Even as

they were spraying champagne on Friday, they didn't hide their feelings entirely — try as they might not to provide any bulletin-board material.

"Obviously if it's the Yankees it will be sweeter," said Friday's starter, Bronson Arroyo. "But if it's Minnesota, that's fine too."

You can't blame the Sox and their faithful for being confident. In sweeping the Angels, they now are perfectly set up for the ALCS, with the possibility of Curt Schilling and Pedro Martinez starting five of seven games, while the Yankees may be scrambling to assemble a rotation if they survive against the Twins.

In fact, the way it's looking, the Sox loom as overwhelming favorites in such a scenario. But then, the Red Sox are still the Red Sox. Just when they were looking to be rolling at the top of their game, turning Friday's Game 3 into a clinching party with a 6-1 lead after six innings Friday, they reminded everyone that nothing is ever a lock for this franchise.

So sure it's the Sox manager in the seventh, and suddenly the game

was tied 6-6. From there the Sox were hanging on, looking for an opening against Francisco Rodriguez.

In the end, the Sox had the Angels to thank for surviving in the one. First, Chone Figgins, who had an absolutely horrendous series for the Angels, pulled a baserunning blunder that recalled the ghosts of Louie Smith and Tim Lincecum in postseasons past.

Then, in a postseason already full of questionable managerial moves, Mike Scioscia made one that will have all of Southern California second-guessing him for months.

He pulled Rodriguez, the phenomenal K-Rod, in the 10th inning after he'd struck out Manny Ramirez.

It took only one pitch for Ortiz to make him pay, lifting a bunt in breaking ball from leftfielder Jarrod Washburn into the seats above the Green Monster.

Usually it's the Sox manager who makes the costly move in October, but maybe this is a different October for this team. Red Sox Nation seems sure of it.

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## Swept: Red Sox in hurry to return to ALCS

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"Frankie was at a high pitch court. I think he was getting tired," Scioscia said. "With a young arm like Frankie's I think you want to err on the side of caution."

Anaheim, which has lost seven consecutive games to Boston, failed to make a serious run at re-

peating its World Series title run of 2002 despite a free-agent spending spree that brought Guerrero, Bartolo Colon, Kelvin Escobar and Jose Guillen.

Troy Glaus also homered for the Angels, who will get no sympathy from Boston, which has been hoping to repeat its magical year of 1918 ever since Babe Ruth was shipped to the Yankees.

Should the Yankees advance, it would give the Red Sox a chance for revenge against the team that has won 26 World Series since Boston last won it all. The Yankees knocked the Red Sox out of the ALCS last year when Pedro Martinez couldn't hold a three-run lead in the eighth inning of Game 7, and Aaron Boone homered in the 11th to send New York to the World Series.



# Earnhardt Jr. thinks penalty too severe

BY MIKE HARRIS  
The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Kan. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. has some advice for NASCAR: rethink your penalty for drivers who curse on live broadcasts.

NASCAR had little choice in hitting Earnhardt with a fine of \$100,000 and the loss of 25 points after he cursed during a live NBC television interview following his victory last Sunday at Talladega.

Even though that's the same penalty the sanctioning organization meted out earlier this year to Busch Series drivers Johnny Sauter and Ron Hornaday, Earnhardt hopes that will change in the future.

"I told NASCAR that in my opinion, if not this time but the next time for the next guy, change the penalty," he said. "Make it \$100,000, \$200,000. Taking points off the scoreboard, whether it's fair or not, is not something I believe in."

The penalty left Earnhardt 12 points behind leader Kurt Busch entering Sunday's NASCAR Nextel Cup race at Kansas Speedway. While Joe Nemechek won the pole for the Banquet 400 — his second pole in a row and the eighth of his career — Earnhardt qualified eighth before speaking out for the first time since NASCAR levied the penalties on Tuesday.

"I understand that it was a mistake," Earnhardt said. "It wasn't anything that I intentionally planned to say. I just think the punishment was a little bit more severe than the crime."

Viewers in nearly 7 million homes were able to hear Earnhardt use a vulgarity when he was asked about the significance of his fifth victory at Talladega.

His team has appealed the points portion of the penalty, but Earnhardt, racing for his first championship, said it has taught him a lesson.

"I just learned to control myself better," he said. "It's kind of difficult in those situations. It's really hard, actually especially when you win a race like that. But that's the rules and, unfortunately, we've got to play by every one of them, not just a few."

In reaction to Earnhardt's slip of the tongue and in light of the FCC cracking down on objectionable content on radio and TV, both NBC and the Motor Racing Network, which airs most of the Cup races on radio, will now use delays on their live broadcasts.

Nemechek, whose pole last week at Talladega was his first since October 2000, led Friday's race with a lap of 180.156 mph.

"That's as close as you can be to out of control and still have control of the race car," he said.

It's the first time Nemechek has won two straight poles.

## Banquet 400 lineup

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- (1) Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, 180.156 mph.
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- (3) Jeremy Mayfield, Chevrolet, 179.185.
- (4) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 179.045.
- (5) Bobby Labonte, Chevrolet, 178.981.
- (6) Jeff Bruff, Ford, 178.453.
- (7) Ryan Newman, Dodge, 178.424.
- (8) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 178.388.
- (9) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 178.347.
- (10) Jamie McMurray, Dodge, 178.018.
- (11) Elliott Sadler, Ford, 178.006.
- (12) Robby Gordon, Chevrolet, 177.985.
- (13) Brendan Gaughan, Dodge, 177.980.
- (14) Scott Riggs, Chevrolet, 177.754.
- (15) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 177.675.
- (16) Carl Edwards, Ford, 177.544.
- (17) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 177.509.
- (18) Mike Martin, Ford, 177.462.
- (19) Terry Labonte, Chevrolet, 177.442.
- (20) Todd Bodine, Dodge, 177.381.
- (21) Casey Mears, Dodge, 177.175.
- (22) Kurt Busch, Ford, 177.235.
- (23) Robby Gordon, Chevrolet, 177.223.
- (24) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 177.171.
- (25) Brian Vickers, Chevrolet, 176.927.
- (26) Michael Waltrip, Chevrolet, 176.914.
- (27) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 176.638.
- (28) Sterling Marlin, Dodge, 176.459.
- (29) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 176.395.
- (30) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 176.367.
- (31) Bobby Hamilton Jr., Chevrolet, 176.367.
- (32) Ken Schrader, Dodge, 176.171.
- (33) Scott Wimmer, Dodge, 174.933.
- (34) Jimmy Spencer, Chevrolet, 174.106.
- (35) Kyle Busch, Chevrolet, 173.639.
- (36) Rusty Wallace, Dodge, 173.570.
- (37) Wally Dallenbach, Dodge, 173.127.
- (38) Scott Wimmer, Dodge, 173.033.
- (39) Shane Hmiel, Dodge, 174.876.
- (40) Larry Green, Chevrolet, 174.876.
- (41) Larry Green, Chevrolet, 174.876.
- (42) Hermie Sadler, Chevrolet, 174.876.
- (43) Kurt Busch, Ford, 174.876.
- (44) Kurt Busch, Ford, 174.876.
- (45) Mike Wallace, Chevrolet, 173.500.
- (46) Morgan Shepherd, Dodge, 181.416.

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- (47) Mike Wallace, Chevrolet, 174.402.
- (48) Mike Wallace, Chevrolet, 174.402.
- (49) Mike Wallace, Chevrolet, 174.402.
- (50) Carl Long, Chevrolet, 173.500.
- (51) Morgan Shepherd, Dodge, 181.416.

# Menard wins first Busch Series pole

BY STEVE BRISENDINE  
The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Kan. — Paul Menard won his first NASCAR Busch Series pole, edging Casey Kahne by two-thirds of a second Friday at Kansas Speedway.

Menard took the pole for the Mar. Goodcents 300 with a top lap of 176.062 mph in a Chevrolet. Kahne — going for his third straight pole — drove his Dodge around the 1½-mile tri-oval at 175.684.

"We just screwed up," said Kahne, who also qualified second for the Truck Series cup race. "We did something that made the car go slower."

Menard, whose best previous start was eighth in April at Talladega, won the pole in his eighth start in a car co-owned by Chance 2 Motorsports and Dale Earnhardt Inc.

"We definitely had all the tools that we needed said, 'It was just kind of up to [crew chief] Tony Gibson and myself to try to put all the pieces of the puzzle together.'"

Chevrolets took eight of the top 10 spots, with Kahne and David Reardon — starting ninth in a Dodge — the only exceptions.

Robby Gordon and Kyle Busch will start on the second row Saturday, followed in the top 10 by Martin Truex Jr., Ron Hornaday, Blake Feese, Mike Bliss, Stremme and Larry Green.

Gordon missed a front-row start by 0.002 of a second. He is driving the same car he took to his only Busch victory this season, last month in Richmond.

# 68 gives Donald lead in annual Links Championship

The Associated Press

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Luke Donald shot a 4-under-par 68 Saturday for a two-stroke lead over Ernie Els in the Dunhill Links Championship.

The Englishman was at 17-under 199 at Carnoustie. Two of his countrymen and Ryder Cup teammates, Ian Poulter and David Howell (71), were at 201. Poulter's excellent round came at Carnoustie, the most difficult of the three courses being played.

Howell, the second-round leader, also played Carnoustie.

Northern Ireland's Graeme McDowell also was two back. He shot a record-equaling 10-under

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and a 5-under 67 Saturday at Kingsbarns.

The final round Sunday is at the Old Course.

Stephen Gallacher of Scotland won the strokes off the lead after a 66 at the Old Course. Four others, including Ernie Els, were another two shots behind. Els shot a 68 Saturday at Carnoustie. The 35-year-old Scotsman had 69 at Carnoustie, leaving him eight shots off the lead. His game was not sharp on the coldest day

of the week. When asked if it ever gets like this in Fiji, he said: "The only time I get it this cold is when you open the refrigerator."

**Lewis ahead by one in Vegas**

LAS VEGAS — J.L. Lewis shot a 9-under 63 Friday to take the lead at 14 under midway through the Michelin Championship at Las Vegas.

The 44-year-old Welshman's one-shot lead over Chez Reavie, Olin Browne and Alex Cejka with a round that included an eagle, one birdie and no bogeys on a friendly Bear's Best course.

Reavie, a 22-year-old who has yet to make an eagle on a PGA

# Lawyers seek dismissal of BALCO case charges

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Defendants charged with distributing illegal steroids to some of the nation's best-known athletes were subjected to illegal searches and coerced by federal investigators, defense lawyers said Friday.

The four defendants are connected to BALCO, a nutritional supplement lab at the center of a scandal that has ripped through the ranks of the nation's professional and Olympic athletes.

Attorneys for two of the defendants said they will seek to dismiss the federal indictments against their clients. Friday was the deadline to file motions in the case.

Alleged leaks by government officials and misconduct by the lead investigator are sufficient grounds for dismissal, said the attorney for one defendant, personal trainer Greg Anderson.

"It has come to the point now where so many leaks are continuing where our client can't even get a fair trial," attorney James Ling said. "Stuff that's even false is coming out."

Anderson was the trainer for San Francisco Giants left fielder Barry Bonds, who was among dozens of athletes called to testify before the grand jury in November and December of 2003.

Motions for dismissal also would be filed on behalf of Victor Conte, founder of Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative, said one of his attorneys, Robert Holley. Such motions are common in criminal cases.

Conte, Anderson and two other men — BALCO vice president James Valente and track coach Remi Kocemany, are charged with distributing steroids, including the previously unnamed THG, to top athletes. Charges also include possession of human growth hormone, misbranding drugs with intent to defraud and money laundering.

All have pleaded not guilty.

**Sharapova wins Japan Open**

TOKYO — Wimbledon champion Maria Sharapova overpowered Mashona Washington 6-0, 6-1 on Saturday to win the Japan Open for the second straight year before a typhoon forced play to be suspended.

Jin Novak's 6-4, 4-6, 6-2 semifinals

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nal victory over top-seeded Lleyton Hewitt was suspended for 35 minutes because rain leaked through Ariake Coliseum's retractable roof. Novak will face American Taylor Dent in Sunday's final.

With winds of up to 100 mph, Typhoon Ma-on is the most powerful to hit the region in 10 years. Authorities forecast 10 inches of rainfall through Sunday.

## U.S. takes center stage with Phelps on sideline

INDIANAPOLIS — Michael Phelps led the cheers at the World Short Course Championships and his American teammates responded in Phelps-like fashion.

Aaron Peirsol, Ian Crocker, Brendan Hansen and Haley Cope all won gold medals, and the men's 800 freestyle relay team rallied in the final to 25 meters to help Australia for the gold in the most exciting race of the meet's second day.

For the Americans, it was bittersweet. They won five of eight events but lost their best swimmer for the rest of the championships because of a back injury.

U.S. coach Bob Bowman said six gold medals in the Athens Olympics ended abruptly.

He pulled out of the 400 individual medley in the morning session with a sore back and showed up Friday night intending to swim the 800 free relay. When two doctors advised him to withdraw, Phelps reluctantly agreed and announced he wouldn't race again in Indianapolis during the five-day event.

## Earthquakes re-sign China

SAN JOSE, Calif. — The San Jose Earthquakes re-signed forward Brian Ching to a multiyear contract Friday.

Ching is tied for first in Major League Soccer with 11 goals this season. The 26-year-old provided a spark for the U.S. national team during World Cup qualifying.

The Earthquakes selected Ching to lead in the LPGA's MLS Dispersal Draft after making a trade with D.C. United to secure that draft position.

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pro, shot a 64 at the home TPC at Summerlin course, capping his second round with a spectacular finish by putting him in contention. Reavie also made a hole-in-one on the 17th, then followed it by holing a 9-iron on 161 yards on the final hole for eagle.

Browne shot a 64, and Cejka had a 65.

## Neumann leads LPGA event

NORTH AUGUSTA, S.C. — Liselotte Neumann moved closer to her first LPGA Tour victory in six years, firing a 69 Saturday for a one-shot lead in the LPGA's Asahi Ryokuten International Championship.

At 11-under 205, Neumann was

a stroke ahead of Becky Morgan (70) and three in front of Sophie Gustafson (66), Grace Prater (68), Laura Davies (70) and Cristie Kerr (70).

Neumann has won four of the past five tournaments she's led entering the final round.

## Levi, Hall lead seniors

SPRING, Texas — Wayne Levi matched his best round on the Champions Tour and Walter Hall had his lowest score of the year, shooting 8-under 64 to share the first-round lead in the Administrative Small Business Classic.

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# Swept up in the excitement

## Red Sox finish off Angels in Game 3 on Ortiz's homer in 10th

BY JIMMY GOLEN

The Associated Press

BOSTON — Boston outfielder Gabe Kapler has just one request: Let the Red Sox enjoy their sweep of the Anaheim Angels for a little while before talking about the New York Yankees.

"I know that it's sexy," Kapler said after Boston beat Anaheim 8-6 on David Ortiz's 10th-inning homer to advance to the AL Championship Series for the second straight year. "But I just don't understand why you would cut short a magical, magnificent night to go there."

Johnny Damon got three hits, Ortiz had four, and Boston rode starter Bronson Arroyo to a five-run lead after six innings. But Vladimir Guerrero hit a grand slam off Mike Timlin to tie it 6-4 in the seventh and send the game to extra innings.

Derek Lowe, bounced from the playoff rotation after a horrible September, got out of a first-and-third jam in the top of the 10th and earned the win. Losing pitcher Francisco Rodriguez gave up Damon's leadoff single in the bottom half; two outs later, Angels manager Mike Scioscia brought in Game 1 starter Jarrod Washburn for the lefty-lefty matchup.

Ortiz hit the first pitch over the Green Monster to send the Fenway Park crowd — so quiet since Guerrero's homer — into pandemonium. In the Boston clubhouse, with the lockers covered with plastic, a soaking of beer and champagne mixed with the smoke from victory cigars completed the first home feel.

With the sweep — just the second in their postseason history — the Red Sox have three days off before starting the ALCS in New York or Minnesota on Tuesday night.

"We'll need a few days after tonight," said outfielder Johnny Damon, who proclaimed the team a band of "idiots" trying to rewrite the record book and ignore Boston's miserable baseball histo-



David Ortiz is mobbed by teammates at home plate after his two-run homer in the 10th inning on Friday completed Boston's three-game sweep of Anaheim in the American League Division Series. The Red Sox will play either Minnesota or the New York Yankees in the AL Championship Series.

ry. "It could have been different, but now we get to relax for a couple of days."

The Yankees beat the Minnesota Twins 8-4 later Friday to take a 2-1 lead in the best-of-five series. But the Red Sox said they don't care who they play in the next round.

"You don't get an extra ring for going through Yankee Stadium," first baseman Kevin Millar said. "That's all we're playing for."

Last year's Red Sox used the theme "Cowboy Up" in the regular season, before they went belly up in the playoffs against the Yankees. This week, Damon declared they were down on "Cowboy Up" and instead were just "idiots" with bad hair and slovenly uniforms who were out for fun on the field.

"We're all idiots here," Ortiz said. "We all have fun. We all hug, kiss, grab, whatever."

Ortiz, Boston's happy-go-lucky MVP contender — one of two, with Manny Ramirez, actually — could be chapter chairman. He doubled and scored when Boston took a 2-0 lead in the third, then doubled in a run in the fourth when Boston made it 5-1.

It was 6-1 in the seventh before Timlin walked Darin Erstad with the bases loaded. Guerrero, also a leading MVP candidate after propelling Anaheim to the AL West

title, tied the game with a dramatic shot to right-center.

Rodriguez pitched two scoreless innings and struck out Ramirez for the second out in the 10th, but Scioscia went with Washburn, who allowed seven runs in 3 1/3 innings to take the loss in the series opener.

He was making his first relief appearance since 1999.

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